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The fury of Frances

Hurricane Frances weakened to a Category 1 on Sunday but still pounded Florida with high wind and rain. Forecasters warned that Frances' path would take the center of the hurricane over the warm water of the northeastern Gulf of Mexico and the storm possibly could regain intensity by Monday morning. Above: Sailboats washed ashore Sunday rest in a parking lot in Fort Pierce, Fla.

Right: Rich Minyon, left, and his brother, Jack, fight winds as the storm moves across the Indian River on

Saturday in Jensen Beach, Fla.



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Nation

Camp counselor slayings: Two camp counselors killed on a California beach were remembered Saturday for their strong Christian faith as family and friends gathered to honor the couple who had planned to marry.

Lindsay Cutshall, 23, and her fiancé, Jason Allen, 26, were found Aug. 18 on a secluded beach along the Northern California coast. Both had been shot in the head while lying in sleeping bags.

Investigators have no suspects.

Mall-bomb plot: The FBI is investigating how a Somali man was treated while being held on immigration charges prior to his terrorism-related indictment, a bureau spokesman said.

Nuradin Abdi, 32, was indicted June 14 on charges of plotting with others to blow up an unspecified Columbus shopping mall. He had been arrested seven months earlier and held on immigration charges. Abdi was held mostly in county jails in Ohio during the seven months, his attorneys said.

FBI spokesman Gregory Palmore said Friday that the FBI is investigating Abdi's treatment during that time.

Abdi attorney Mahir T. Sherif has said he was upset at his client's treatment in jail. He said Friday that he believes Abdi is seriously ill and needs treatment.

Church abuse claims: A judge has thrown out several claims of sexual abuse involving a Roman Catholic priest in Northern California, striking a potential blow to hundreds of men and women who allege they were molested while diocese officials looked the other way.

Judge Ronald Sabraw said plaintiffs' attorneys had not presented any direct evidence the church "knew or had reason to know, or were otherwise on notice, of any unlawful sexual conduct" by the priest, who is now dead. The claims were part of a consolidaed lawsuit involving 160 complaints against Northem California clerey.

Va. death row inmate: A federal judge Friday denied a death row inmate's attempt to delay his execution for a second time on the grounds that putting him to death by injection would be unconstitutionally cruel. James Edward Reid's lawvers claimed

James Edward Reid's lawyers claimed that Virginia's method of execution was unconstitutional because it was possible Reid could still be conscious when the last of three drugs is administered and would suffer pain before he dies.

U.S. District Judge Henry E. Hudson said in his ruling that the procedure would kill the defendant within five to 10 minutes and reduce the chance that he would be conscious of any pain to less than 6/1000 of 1 percent.

Arizona prison standoff: A special prosecutor who led the grand jury investigation into a 15-day prison standoff is under an ethics review after a judge accused him of misconduct in the case, the State Bar of Arizona said Friday.

A judge last month accused Special Prosecutor A. Melvin McDonald of misconducfor creating a "media clamor" for the release of the grand jury report into the January standoff, during which two guards were taken hostage and assaulted. One of the



California wildfires: The Geysers fire is viewed in the distance off Highway 128, near the Santa Angelina Ranch in the Mayamacas Mountains of northeast Sonoma County, Calif. The Sonoma County fire, which started Friday near The Geysers, the world's largest geothermal power facility, destroyed 11 homes and threatened wineries and hundreds of homes.

guards was raped.

McDonald had publicly released a motion to unseal the panel's report, but Presiding Judge Colin Campbell denied the request, saying releasing the report would undermine the purpose of secret grand juries.

Bugging of Philadelphia mayor: Two aides to Mayor John F. Street said his street said his aides to Mayor John F. Street said his street and his had been placed in his office, contradicing earlier statements by the city's top police official and mayoral advisers who said they knew nothing about the listening device before it was found.

Installed in mid-September as part of an anti-corruption probe, the bug was found Oct. 7 by police who had been ordered to sweep the mayoral suite by Police Commissioner Sylvester Johnson.

The tip apparently came first to Street's communication director, Barbara Grant, her attorney said Friday.

World

Balkans war-crimes tribunal: Still reluctant to catch and extradite suspects wanted by a U.N. war-crimes court, Serbia's Prime Minister Vojislav Kostunica urged the men to surrender voluntarily to the international tribunal in comments nublished Sunday.

Kostunica spoke as Western pressure continues to build on Serbia to hand over more than a dozen wanted men indicted in connection with the Balkan wars of the 1990s or risk renewed isolation.

West Bank barrier: Israel began construction Sunday of a section of its separation barrier in the southern West Bank, days after Palestinian suicide bombers carried out an attack from the area.

Israeli security officials confirmed that work started on a 20-mile stretch of barrier southwest of Hebron.

Meanwhile, Palestinian gummen seized the local government offices in a southern Gaza town for several hours Sunday, demanding that the Palestinian Authority do more to help families left homeless by an Israeli military operation last week, witnesses and militants said. The militants left the Khan Younis governor's office after receiving "concrete promises" that the problem will be solved soon, a gunmen told The Associated Press.

India-Pakistan talks: India and Pakistan opened high-level talks Sunday aimed at solving their decades-old dispute over Kashmir with Pakistan denying it arms and trains a separatist insurgency in the region and accusing India of human rights abuses there. The war of words over Kashmir—tween the nuclear-armed rivals—threat-ened to complicate the wide-ranging talks between Pakistan's Foreign Minister Khursheed Kasuri and his Indian counterpart, Natwar Singh.

Freed Malaysian leader: Several thousand supporters of newly freed former deput leader Anwar Ibrahim brought Malaysia's main airport terminal to a standstill in a potent reminder of the charismatic sway he holds over the country.

The crowds overwhelmed airport securi-

The crowds overwheimed airport security as they surged toward Anwar's gold-colored Mercedes-Benz when he arrived for a flight to Germany, where he will undergo back surgery for an injury suffered partly during a police beating six years ago.

Darfur crisis: Sudan's foreign minister said his country does not object to increased numbers of foreign cease-fire monitors, plus troops to protect them, being deployed to crisis-torn Darfur. Mustafa Osman Ismail's comments on Saturday follow U.N. calls on his government to allow more than 3,000 troops enter Darfur, something which Khartoum has yet to sanction.

War on terror

Australian Gitmo detainees: Australia will urge the United States to tighten legal procedures governing the trials of two Australian terror suspects detained at a U.S. military base in Cuba, the government said Sunday in an apparent about-face on the issue. Prime Minister John Howard has long rejected calls for David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib to be returned to Australia for trial. Stories and photo from the Associated Press

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1,100 U.S. forces injured in 'intense' August

Number of wounded soldiers, Marines highest since war in Iraq began

The Washington Post About 1,100 U.S. soldiers and Marines were wounded in Iraq during August, by far the highest combat injury toll for any month since the war began and an indication of the intensity of battles flaring in urban

U.S. medical commanders say the sharn rise in hattlefield iniu ries reflects more than three weeks of fighting by one Marine and two Army battalions in the southern city of Najaf. At the same time, U.S. units frequently faced combat in a sprawling Shi ite Muslim slum in Baghdad and in the Sunni cities of Falluiah. Ramadi and Samarra, all of which remain under the control of insurgents two months after the transfer of political authority

"They were doing battlefield urban operations in four places at one time," said Lt. Col. Albert Maas, operations officer for the 2nd Medical Brigade, which oversees U.S. combat hospitals in Iraq. "It's like working in downtown Detroit. You're going literally building to building."

The sharp rise in wounded was for the first time, accompanied by a far less steep climb in battle field fatalities. Since the start of the war in March 2003 979 U.S. forces have died in Iraq and alUntil last month, however, the monthly tallies of fatalities and wounded rose and fell roughly

proportionally. In August, 66 U.S. service personnel were killed in Iraq, according to the Defense Department. The toll was the highest since May, when 80 fatalities were recorded. But it was well below the 135 U.S. combat deaths in April, when a sporadic guerrilla war that had largely been confined to the so-called Sunni Triangle and west of Baghdad spread to cities across the previously quiescent Shiite Muslim

belt in southern Iraq Commanders said they had no immediate concrete explanation for why the number of wounded increased so sharply without a comparable, parallel rise in com-

"All I know is I've got more pa-tients here," said Col. Ryck Beitz, commander of the 31st Combat Support Hospital in Baghdad, which admitted 425 patients last month, a new high.

One possible explanation lay in the brawn some units brought to the fight in crowded city centers. In Najaf, for example, two of the three U.S. battalions squaring off in close quarters against a Shiite militia were categorized as "heavy armored." Army officers ley Fighting Vehicles not only offer substantial protection from incoming fire, but also answered with immediate and overwhelm-

ing large-caliber salvos. 'We've been given the best tools in the world for waging war," said Maj. Tim Karcher of the 2nd battalion of the 1st Caval-ry Division's 7th Regiment. In two weeks of almost constant combat, the heavily armored battalion sustained several injuries, but not a single fatality, as it fought its way through Najaf's crowded old

city.
Maj. Dellone Pascascio, who compiles tallies of U.S. wounded across Iraq, said injuries sustained in conventional fighting may tend to be slightly less severe than those inflicted by IEDs, the improvised explosive devices planted along roadsides that continue to kill and maim U.S. forces

by spraying shrapnel upward There also were indications that troops suffered more severe wounds in August than in previ-

At the Baghdad hospital, staff members are accustomed to seeing the most severely injured soldiers and Marines. The hospital, the only in Iraq where the military's brain and eye surgeons work, handles the worst head wounds. Normally, perhaps half of the patients who come to the

emergency room qualify as "acute" cases, a term that indicates severity and urgency.

"A soldier who comes in and is almost bleeding to death will require more care than someone who is just shot with a bullet." Beitz explained.

In August, however, the rate of acute cases jumped to three of four ER natients

"It was intense," said Lt. Col. Greg Kidwell, who oversees the emergency room at the hospital. Capt. Neil Taufen, an emergency room physician, said the pace was all the more striking because

it came after a quiet stretch. "July was just dull, and it was like: Everything's going to be all right. And then Najaf fired up, and it was just like nothing had ever changed," said Taufen, of

Fort Sill, Okla.

Naiaf and the neighboring town of Kufa, about 90 miles south of Baghdad, have been quiet since a peace deal was brokered in late August by Grand Ayatollah Ali Sistani. Last week, an informal cease-fire also took hold in Sadr City, the Shiite slum that is the main stronghold of junior cleric Muqtada al-Sadr and his Mahdi Army militia, which fought in

Najaf But U.S. forces continued to clash with Sunni Muslim insurgents and foreign-born fighters west and north of Baghdad. Twen-

August in Anbar province, which takes in Falluiah and Ramadi and extends across the western desert to the Syrian border.

Insurgents hold sway in both cities and routinely attack U.S. pa-"It's always kind of a smolder.

ing fight out there," Kidwell said. Parts of Baghdad also remain combat zones

Propped on pillows in a ward of the Baghdad combat hospital Saturday afternoon, Spc. Christo-pher Riang, 19, wore a zipper of surgical staples up his abdomen after a nasty surprise the night before off the capital's hostile Haifa Street

'I yelled 'grenade!' and made sure the Iraqi translator took off, he said, describing the overnight ambush that left him with a belly full of steel shards. "Then I took off. I guess I couldn't outrun the grenade." grenade

The interpreter also was in-jured, as were four other 1st Cavalry soldiers caught in the alley when grenades began raining down

"Almost everybody took shrap-nel," said Capt. Chris Ford, the company commander. Three soldiers were injured lightly enough to return to duty after treatment, as do about 45 percent of U.S. forces wounded in Iraq. Two others needed medical evacuation The interpreter went home.

Iraqi forces claim top Saddam aide arrested

Iraq's defense minister says reports are 'baseless'

By DANICA KIRKA

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD - Iraqi authorities claimed on Sunday to have captured Izzat Ibrahim al-Douri, the most wanted member of Sadd am Hussein's ousted dictatorship, but there was confusion over the report, as the Iraqi defense minister said word of his arrest was "baseless."

Meanwhile, a mortar barrage Sunday evening hit a U.S. hase on the western edge of Baghdad, killing two U.S. soldiers and wounding 16 others, one critically, Maj. Richard Spiegel of the Army's 13th Corps Support Command said.

The soldiers killed and wounded all belonged to the 13th Corps Support, which oversees distribution of fuel, food and water to U.S. forces.

Also, a car bomb exploded outside an air base used by U.S. forces near Dijiel, about 25 miles north of Baghdad, injuring one American soldier and two Iraqi civilians, the U.S. military said. Three suspects were detained near the site of the attack, said Army Sgt. Robert Powell.

There have been incorrect reports of al-Douri's arrest in the past as U.S. and Iraqi forces hunt for the man who was once one of Saddam's most senior deputies. Sunday's report centered on a raid near al-Douri's hometown of Adwar, north of Baghdad

Iraq's top information official said al-Douri was seized while receiving medi-cal treatment at a clinic near Adwar and that DNA tests were underway to confirm his identity. Al-Douri reportedly suffers from leukemia, and needs blood transfu-

"We are sure he is Izzat Ibrahim," information official Ibrahim Janabi said. "He was arrested in a clinic in Makhoul near Tikrit and Adwar and 60 percent of the DNA test has finished.

A Defense Ministry spokesman, Saleh Sarhan, also told the U.S.-funded Alhurra television station that al-Douri had been captured.

Later, however, the Iraqi defense minister, Hazem Shaalan, said in an interview with Lebanon's Al Hayat-LBC television that reports that Izzat Ibrahim was captured were "baseless."

'We don't have any information on this subject or on the reports that allegedly came out from the defense ministry," he

"They are baseless. There are search operations by the national guards troops and multinational troops going on during some terrorist positions shelled. There were rumors that Izzat al-Douri or someone who resembles him were in that position but we don't have any

information on Izzat specifically," he said.
U.S. Maj. Neal O'Brien of the
Tikrit-based 1st Infantry Division said he
could not confirm the report and U.S.-led forces issued a statement saying he was not in U.S. custody. A senior U.S. diplomat. speaking on condition of anonymity, said the Americans had no information to indi-

cate that al-Douri had been arrested. Iraqi Minister of State Qassim Dawoud also claimed that al-Douri was arrested and said 150 men defending him also were detained.

U.S. military officials believer al-Douri, once the vice chairman of the Baath Par-ty's Revolutionary Command Council.



IZZAT IBRAHIM AL-DURI RCC Vice Chairman



Izzat Ibrahim al-Douri, No. 6 on the U.S. list of most-wanted Iraqis, is pictured on the deck of cards put out by the U.S. military to help capture Saddam Hussein's former officials.

organizing role in the

played an organizing role in the 16-month-old insurgency. He is No. 6 on the U.S. military's list of 55 most-wanted figures from Saddam's regime and U.S. forces have offered a \$10 million bounty for his arrest. Forty-four of the peo-ple on the list already have been killed or captured.

U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Press

As of Friday, 976 U.S. servicemembers have died since the beginning of military operations in Iraq in March 2003, according to the Defense Department. Of those, 730 died as a result of hostile action and 246 died of nonhostile causes

The British military has reported 64 deaths; Italy, 18; Spain, 11; Poland, 10; Bulgaria, six; Ukraine, six; Slovakia, three; Thailand, two; and Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia and the Netherlands have reported one death each.

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat opera-tions in Iraq had ended, 838 U.S. servicemembers have died — 621 as a re-sult of hostile action and 217 of nonhostile causes, according to the military's numbers Friday. There was no update provided on Saturday.

The latest deaths reported by the military: No deaths reported.

The latest identifications reported by the military:

■ Marine Lance Cpl. Nicholas Perez, 19, Austin, Texas; died Friday from enemy action in Iraq's Anbar province; assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Ma-rine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center; Twentynine Palms, Calif.

■ Marine Capt. Alan Rowe, 35, Hagerman, Idaho; died Friday from enemy action in Iraq's Anbar province; assigned to 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Ma-rine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center; Twentynine Palms, Calif.

CPO initiation doesn't stop at war zone

Sailors continue with training in Iraq

BY JASON CHUDY Stars and Stripes

CAMP DUKE, Iraq - More than a dozen sailors assigned to units throughout Iraq are finding that the Navy's traditional initia tion process for those selected for promotion to chief petty officer doesn't stop in a combat zone.

Three of these sailors are going through initiation at Camp Duke near Najaf.

"They go through physical training, CPO indoctrination, and we have Friday mentorship train-ing, as we call it," said Senior Chief Petty Officer Ernesto Zabarte. the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit's medical planner.

In addition to the Navy-required CPO indoctrination class and a computer-based management course, the selectees, as they are called, are given Navy-or leadership-related tasks by their chiefs to round out their training.

Some of these tasks, Zabarte said, can be difficult to complete

"They're very short on resourcsaid Zabarte. "As CPOs, wherever they're at or whatever challenges they face, they'll need to come up with a solution to get the task done."

One leadership task, the creation and management of an imaginary division of sailors out of hard-boiled eggs, had to be adjusted. Camp Duke's selectees used round rocks, which are poured over the sand and dirt to keen the dust down and are therefore plen-

"We've used all of our resources." said chief selectee Petty Officer 1st Class Billy Hammond, a chaplain's assistant with the

Other tasks range from researching Navy history or uniform regulations. For these, the selectees say that the Internet is a lifesaver, or at least a push-up saver. Failed tasks are usually "remedied" by exercise.

"There's a lot of research " said chief selectee Petty Officer 1st Class Roger Teel. "Without the Internet we'd be in trouble."

The challenges of getting these tasks done have brought the three closer, another goal of the initiation process

"We're starting to bond," said Teel, a corpsman with 17 years in the Navy. "But it's a slow pro-

Slow, but necessary, said Chief Petty Officer George Frausto. "I think it's extremely important," he said. "We're teaching them how to network, be a team and function under stressful situations. Given the circumstances, they're progressing well."

Working through the stressful situations now, the selectees realize, is better than learning after they've already been promoted.

"You learn something from your mistakes, correct the mistakes and move on," said chief selectee Petty Officer 1st Class Jeff Cavallo, 40, a 15-year Navy veteran. "You don't make the same mistake twice

Even with the mistakes, the stress and the extra workload, the selectees say they've enjoyed their initiation

"Fun? Oh yeah," said Teel.



Navy chief petty officer selectees, from left, Jeff Cavallo, Roger Teel and Billy Hammond do push-ups as part of their initiation process. The three sailors are assigned to the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit at Camp Duke, Irag.

Promotion selectees undergo six-week process

Each July, the list of those selected for promotion to Navy chief petty officer is released, and those first class petty officers then face the six-week initiation process

The 3.900 active-duty sailors selected for promotion to chief petty officer this year have specific requirements to complete before they receive their chief's anchors Sept. 16.

"The initiation process is based on the master chief petty officer of the Navy's guidance to ensure that the transition is a journey from first class to chief," said Senior Chief Petty Officer Ernesto Zabarte, the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit's medical planner at Camp Duke, Iraq.

"It's clear-cut, with no devia-

The selectees must attend a chief petty officer indoctrination course, which covers a wide variety of subjects from naval history to chief's uniforms. They also

In addition to the required courses, sailors also carry charge books in which other chief petty officers pass on advice and guid-

must complete a computer-based

management program.

Charge books came about during World War II when shin commanding officers were able to promote individual sailors to chief The prospective chiefs were required to know about the entire ship, so the sailors took the charge books to each chief on board who would then pass on in-

formation about their jobs or give guidance on leadership.

Once every chief signed the book, the commanding officer could be reasonably sure that the sailor had an understanding of how the ship operated.

Today the charge books are used less for general shipboard knowledge, but more for leadership advice. It also gives the selectees a chance to individually meet with all of their command's

Selectees may also manage an imaginary division of sailors, sometimes represented by hard-boiled eggs or even rocks. handling all the paperwork and tasks they could expect as the chief of a real division

- Jason Chudy

Militants ask Muslim association for religious edict on kidnappings

BY BASSEM MROUE The Associated Press

BAGHDAD - An Iraqi militant group appealed Sunday to an influential Sunni Muslim organization for a fatwa, or religious edict, on whether the kidnapping of foreigners who work for occupation forces is acceptable under Islam.

A spokesman for the Association of Muslim Scholars said its clerics will study the militants' request, saying the issue was not easy" and needs "profound study.'

The militants' appeal came as Tukrish transport company and a Kuwaiti firm that contracted it announced Sunday they have stopped doing business in Iraq in an attempt to secure the release of a Turkish driver taken hostage by Iraqi militants and under a threat of beheading.

In a fresh kidnapping report, an Iraqi militant group said it has abducted four Jordanian truck drivers who it claims were delivering items for U.S. forces in Iraq, according to a tape ob tained by the Al-Jazeera TV sta-

Also Sunday, a slain Egyptian kidnap victim was found near about 150 miles north of Baghdad, his hands bound and signs of a beating on his corpse. said Iraqi Maj. Gen. Anwar Mo hammed Amin

Militants waging a 16-month insurgency have increasingly turned to kidnapping to force co alition forces and contractors from the country. More than 100 foreigners have been abducted since the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq in March 2002 and many have been executed.

The Arab television station Al-Arabiya on Sunday aired a videotape showed a masked man identifying himself as a member of the group "Holders of the Black Banners," reading a state-ment seeking a fatwa from the Association of Muslim Scholars

The militants asked whether Islam permits the kidnapping and killing of foreigners who work for occupation forces, saying the association should "issue a legal fatwa defining this issue, and we are ready to abide by it.

A number of Sunni insurgent groups are believed behind most of the abductions, and it was not known whether other groups would follow such a fatwa

The French government, meanwhile, huddled in crisis talks over the fate of two French reporters held hostage by a separate group in Iraq and said it was still hopeful the pair would be re leased

In the past week, militants have killed an Italian journalist and 12 Nepalese workers, while seven truckers from India, Kenya and Egypt were released after their Kuwaiti employer paid a \$500,000 ransom, A video last week also showed three Turks being killed by their cap-

Abizaid. Yemen officials discuss security issues

The Associated Press

SAN'A, Yemen - The top U.S. military official in the region visited this American ally in the war on terror Sunday to discuss security cooperation with the Yemeni president and equipping a new U.S.-trained coast guard unit.

Gen. John Abizaid, head of the U.S. Central Command, and President Ali Abdullah Saleh also discussed efforts of "countering acts of terror and sabotage," the official Saba news agency reported

The agency said the meeting was attended by Yemen's interior minister, intelligence and army chiefs and the U.S. ambassador to Yemen, which is the ancestral homeland of al-Qaida terror network leader Osama bin Laden, who has been blamed for masterminding the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks

A U.S. Embassy official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Abizaid later left this Red Sea nation. No details were available on where he went to.

Although its government supnorts the U.S. led war on terror Yemen has long been a hot bed of Islamic militancy and has suffered several militant attacks in recent years, notably the 2000 bombing of the destroyer USS Cole that killed 17 American sailors and the October 2002 suicide bombing of a French oil tanker that killed a Rulgarian crewmem. ber and spilled 90.000 barrels of oil into the Gulf of Aden.

Military cooperation between Yemen and the United States, particularly in training, equipping and making available spare parts for a coast guard unit was discussed, the agency said.

Earlier this year, the United States supplied the coast guard unit with eight boats costing an estimated \$60 million in an effort to secure the country's long marine frontier and prevent the infiltration of terrorists

Abizaid's visit follows the recent approval by the United States of the sale of military equipment to Yemen after more than a decade of a nearly total ban.



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SETAF leader eager to attack base issues

Brig. Gen. Kamiya helps weave planning for deployment with day-to-day achievements

Stars and Stripes

VICENZA, Italy t's standard procedure for incoming commanders to put their own touches on their new unit or community But it doesn't take a member of TV's "Crime Scene Investigation" squad to spot the fingerprints Brig. Gen. Jason Ka-

miya has left all over his new post. Sometimes it takes the senior leader to jump in there and at least get the momen tum going," said Kamiya, who took over command of the Southern European Task Force (Airborne) on April 30.

Jumping is something they do quite a bit of at Vicenza. But Kamiya isn't referring to a lean from a plane with a parachute. Instead, he's talking about an array of issues he's trying to get resolved - or at least in the pipeline — before most of the base's active-duty population deploys to Afghanistan early next year

Kamiya says he has three general objectives at present: address ongoing problems at Caserma Ederle; plan for the yearlong mission to Afghanistan; and lay the ground work for an additional 2,000 troops coming to northern Italy

He'll talk about the latter two — which he refers to as his "midterm" and "long-term" challenges — mostly in general terms. Military leaders aren't fond of dis-cussing plans for upcoming operations and a series of talks are still to be held with the Italian government before announcements are made on where new troops will he based

But Kamiya appears eager to discuss a series of moves that SETAF and the 22nd Area Support Group are exploring to tackle a number of nagging issues:

Parking. There are about 7,000 vehicles registered at Caserma Ederle and about 2,000 parking spaces on base, with some of those closed off by an array of con-struction projects. Officials are looking at off-base options and expanding the hours and scope of the current shuttle-bus pro-

■ Haircuts. Soldiers complained they have to wait hours sometimes at the Army and Air Force Exchange's small shop. So another barber has been hired to set up shop in the 173rd Airborne Brigade head quarters. More will follow.



Brig. Gen. Jason Kamiya

■ Paperwork. Some space at the Golden Lion community club will soon be devoted to a facility where most, if not all, of inprocessing and outprocessing takes place.

■ Interagency cooperation. Kamiya said several issues could be solved if sometimes competing operations went from a "culture of ownership to a culture of enterprise" in other words, share their resources and cooperate.

Kamiya admits there are probably dozens of other issues that concern community members. So the base will hold monthly Community Action Council meetings where people can grab a microphone and

Asked if he'll personally attend such meetings — the first is set for Sept. 22 — Kamiya said: "I attended every single one at Fort Polk."

He said the process would work better for all concerned if those with issues send a message through the base's Web site a few weeks before the meeting. That way, issues can be researched and addressed at

But he doesn't expect a smooth ride, at least initially, calling the initiative "kind of like leading with your chin.

The base's biggest focus, though, may be on family support efforts.

Design for troop expansion in Italy by 2010 not yet set

Stars and Stripe:

VICENZA, Italy - If all goes according to plan, there will be about twice as many U.S. soldiers stationed in Italy in 2010 as

Details of that plan aren't complete, though. The Pentagon has announced that it will add 2,000 troops - a battalion and other support elements - to the 173rd Airborne Brigade.

How that will be done, when it will be done and where it will be done are still

Brig. Gen. Jason Kamiya, the commander of the Southern European Task Force (Airborne) said much of that depends on ongoing talks with the host country. Americans in Italy work - and some times live - on bases owned by the Italian military.

The "where" in the equation will likely not be at Caserma Ederle, the current headquarters for both the 173rd and SETAF

"It doesn't take a rocket scientist to dis cover we have snace issues here." Kamiya said

Elements across the base pulled togeth-

er during the 173rd's yearlong deployment

to Iraq that ended in March. Now they'll

have to do it again - with even more

"My sense is that regardless of how well

So he used four days of scheduled meet-

The goal, he said, was to get ideas on

ings at Camp Darby at the start of August

to get started, more than seven months be-

we did, there's always ways to improve

troops gone - in early spring.

fore troops will likely deploy.

and lessons to learn," Kamiya said.

It's possible that the troops could go to other bases in northern Italy, such as Camp Darby - where there's room but no facilities - or Aviano Air Base -

and space is questionable. But Kamiya said those aren't the first choices

"We want to keep the forces of the 173rd and SETAF in a small area," he

That leaves open the possibility of an existing Italian facility near Vicenza Tomasso Dal Molin, for instance. former Italian air base is being used by civilian interests, but the Italian military

still controls sections of it Moving into parts of such a place could allow the United States to essentially consolidate its forces in two areas of Vicenza. eliminating about \$2.5 million it pays annually to lease a handful of smaller compounds around the city.

The brigade won't really be building up its forces until it returns from Afghanistan - possibly around the summer of 2006. And it might be several years after that for significant increases, because it would probably take several years to build more facilities, regardless of where they're located.

In the meantime, the brigade has undergone some transformation already. It has more than 100 troops than it did before deploying to Iraq, thanks to the formation of a forward support battalion.

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how to improve, integrate them into existing programs and get everything up and running before the troops leave.

Kamiya said he'd like to get many of the issues resolved quickly, because planning for Afghanistan will take larger chunks of the command's efforts as the months

"In reality, I wish that I could be devoting 100 percent to the warfighting, to Af-ghanistan," he said. But he admitted he will probably still be focusing on some other issues "when I board that airplane."

Prison abuse inquiry raises questions about CIA

BY JOHN J. LUMPKIN The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The latest U.S. Army investigation into the Abu Ghraib scandal is raising new questions about whether the CIA, operating outside military rules, contributed to the breakdown of military discipline at the prison.

The report cites the presence of unregistered "ghost detainees" who did not fall under the military's usual system of registration, interrogation and medical

But the CIA is rejecting much of the criticism. Spokesman Mark Mansfield said recently that the report, released last week, "makes broad allegations about the CIA that are not supported by

The report by senior Army gen erals describes some of the CIA's detention procedures, shining a rare light on those practices. Yet it does little to describe the spy agency's actual interrogation methods at Abu Ghraib, beyond saying they contributed to the discipline problems.

"The CIA's detention and interrogation practices contributed to a loss of accountability and abuse at Abu Ghraib says the investigation report. Of 44 incidents of possible

abuse cited in the Army's intelligence investigation the CIA was involved in only one the only one to involve the

death of a detainee. In that case, a newly arrived CIA prisoner did not receive the initial medical screening typical for incoming detainees, and then died. That death remains under investi-

To date, none of the abuses depicted in the infamous photographs from Abu Ghraib have been found to involve CIA personnel, Mansfield said The specific allegations of

abuse at various U.S.-run detention and interrogation centers in

44 The CIA's detention and interrogation practices contributed to a loss of accountability and abuse at Abu Ghraib.

Prison abuse investigation report

Iraq and Afghanistan are being investigated by the CIA's Inspector General. In several cases, the Justice Department is also investigating whether any CIA officers or contractors committed criminal

The arrangements to hold

"ghost detainees" were made between local CIA officers and military officials at the prison, the investigation found. Army investigators said they located information on eight "ghost detainees" held at Abu Ghraib, but said there

may have been more.

In one case, military guards at the prison moved a group of detainees around the prison to hide them from a visiting Red Cross delegation, according to the report of U.S. Army Mai Gen Antonio Taguba, who conducted a separate investigation into the prison's military police unit. He de-

scribed the actions as "deceptive, contrary to Army Doctrine, and in violation of international law."

A U.S. intelligence official, discussing agency operations on the condition of anonymity, said the CIA would keep detainees hidden to prevent insurgents both inside and outside the prison from learning of their capture, suggesting the agency believed that Red Cross knowledge of a given prisoner could ultimately reach insurgents

If the prisoners had been put in the general prison population, they might have been able to confer with associates and plan their responses for an interrogation, the official said. The official said there were only a "handful" of such secret prisoners. Mansfield said the CIA does

not take issue with the Army report's conclusion that there was confusion in the military regarding the CIA's role and authority at the prison.

Agency officials agree that better coordination and written agreements between the military and CIA would have clarified some matters, particularly for the soldiers, he said.

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Woman gathers toys for Iraqi kids

Schweinfurt project collects teddy bears for children in need

BY STEVE LIEWER Stare and Strings

SCHWEINFURT, Germany andra Hummel's volunteer mania started last spring with clothes and snacks for wounded sol-

On top of the time already spent with Red Cross and Girl Scouts, she started her own organization, Operation in FAITH, to gather donations of goods and funnel them to soldiers who need them. She visits military hospitals in Ramstein and Würzburg regularly.

Her volunteer hours already run as high as 80 each week, Hummel said, but she is driven to do more because, thankfully, fewer injured troops need help So now her organization is gathering something new: stuffed bears for Iraqi children

She calls the program Teddies for Toddlers

"The teddy bear is something that's accepted all over the world as a 'love' item," Hummel said, something she thought might bridge the gap between rifle-tot-

ing U.S. troops and Iraqi kids About 1,600 plush bears, most the size of Beanie Babies, live in boxes in the basement of her Schweinfurt home.

Most were sent from the United States by Rita Taylor, the mother of a soldier in her husband's unit the 1st Infantry Division's 1st Battalion, 77th Armor Regiment. Others came from two women in Florida whose husbands once served with hers.

The bears are awaiting for shipment to soldier contacts Hummel has made at bases in Iraq. Eventu-ally they'll be distributed at hospitals, orphanages and wherever there are kids who need them. she said.

She's collecting more bears through a box at Ledward Barracks' Café Rohr, whose owner also contributed pastries for her visits to hospitalized troops.

Hummel said she already has sent 400 bears to her husband, 1st Set. Alan Hummel, at FOB Dan-



PHOTOS BY KRISTEN CHANDLER TOTH/Special to Stars and Stripes

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that's accepted all over the world

as a 'love' item 11

Sandra Hummel, right, sits among some of the more than 1,600 stuffed bears she has collected for distribution to Iraqi children in hospitals, orphanages and elsewhere. With Hummel are her two daughters, Veneé, 14. left, and Darnelle, 10, who help her with the project.



Shown are a few of the 1,600 stuffed bears in Hummel's basement that will be shipped to bases in Iraq, where troops will distribute them to Iraqi children.

ger in Tikrit. Sometimes he hands them out to kids when he goes on

Hummel is the daughter of an American soldier and a German mother. She was born in the Würzburg Army Hospital, where she now volunteers, and baptized in the chanel at Ledward Barracks, where she and her two daughters — Veneé, 14, and Darnelle, 10 - now go to church.

Since starting up in April, Operation in FAITH has collected and distributed \$16,000 worth of supplies for soldiers, Hummel said. Among the donations: a caseload of board games, a set of 40 coffee-table books, and a box of 200 energy bars sent anonymously and addressed to "An American Hero."

Her mailbox has been so busy. Army postal authorities recently closed it down, accusing her of running an illegal business. She said her supporters, including the 1st ID's rear detachment commander, Lt. Col. Christopher Kolenda intervened and helned her get a box dedicated to Operation in FAITH

started Operation in FAITH

Sandra Hummel

Hummel is eager now to get the teddy bears into the hands of Iraqi toddlers. This isn't something you can

do for two hours a day," she said.
"It's something you really have to do with all your heart."

Those wishing more informa tion about Operation in FAITH may contact Hummel by e-mail at: ShoppingSandra@yahoo.com mail at: Operation in FAITH, attn. Sandra Hummel, CMR 464 Box 2417. APO AE

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Soldier suicide

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. A soldier committed suicide after being arrested on suspicion of arranging a sexual encounter with a 13-year-old girl over the Internet

Sgt. 1st Class Andre Ventura McDaniel, 40, shot himself in the head with a .380-caliber handgun, officials said. His body was found in a field Sept. 25

McDaniel, who was based at Fort Carson, was arrested Aug. 20 and charged with sexual assault on a child, enticement of a child and possession of an illegal weapon - a switchblade. The Army was also investigating him on suspicion of stealing cash in

Missile passes test

WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, N.M. — The Army's Patriot interceptor missile system successfully destroyed two targets during a test Thursday at White Sands Missile Range in southern New Mexico.

Officials with the U.S. Army Program Executive Office of Air Missile Defense in Huntsville. Ala., said the objective was to test the Patriot Advanced Capability-3 — or PAC-3 — with hard-ware changes designed to reduce missile cost and improve its production

"The test also demonstrated the system's capability to detect, track, engage and intercept a short-range tactical ballistic missile target and a low-altitude cruise missile target," the office said in a statement

Soldiers from the Air Defense Artillery at Fort Bliss, Texas, helped with the test.

The PAC-3 system successfully completed operational testing in 2002. It was first used in combat during Operation Iraqi Freedom

The PAC-3 uses kinetic energy. rather than an evolosive war head, to destroy targets. It was developed to provide increased defense against advanced tactical ballistic missiles, cruise missiles and other air-bound threats.

Dispute over depot

ROMULUS, N.Y. - Want to take possession of 1 million square feet of warehouse space at the old Seneca Army Depot in central New York? No, sir! Or at least not yet, the local municipality is telling the U.S. Army. Seneca County's industrial de-

velopment agency voted 6-0 Thursday night against accepting the title to dozens of warehouse buildings on the 10,600-acre depot at the end of September. The reason? They have not been properly maintained, county officials say.

Before accepting ownership,

the county wants the Army to carry out extensive repairs to make the buildings safe. Part of the roof in one warehouse recently collapsed without warning on a sunny day.

County officials said they're now awaiting a response from the Army

tween Seneca and Cayuga Lakes, the depot evoked pride and fury

Tucked in rolling farmland berecalled to duty, under a rarely used but widely accepted military law.

in the 1980s when defense analysts revealed it was home to the nation's largest Army stockpile of nuclear missiles. After 59 years, post-Cold War budget cuts shut it down in July 2000. From The Associated Press

ins in 1975 was the fatal shooting of an elderly

carpenter in the Song Ve Valley in July 1967 Army investigators recommended in 1975 that he be charged with murder.

In an interview with The Blade in 2003, he admitted killing the elderly man because "he was making too much noise" and might disclose the location of U.S. troops to the enemy.

Although Hawkins has long been out of the Army, his military pension qualifies him to be

Army spokesman Dov Schwartz said the case remained onen.

Hawkins could not be reached for comment. The only phone listing under his name in Orlando has been disconnected or is no longer in service, according to a phone company recording.

Retired GI may face charges from Vietnam ries and concluded that the evidence was

TOLEDO, Ohio - A military attorney has

recommended charging a retired soldier in a 1967 rampage of alleged atrocities committed by U.S. troops against hundreds of civilians in Vietnam, a newspaper reported. The Blade, which won a Pulitzer Prize for

its reporting on the elite Tiger Force platoon, said in its Sunday edition that the recommendation involved retired Mai. James Hawkins. 63, a former unit commander who now lives near Orlando, Fla. Hawkins declined to comment on the mili-

tary attorney's recommendation, the newspaper said. Army Reserve lawyer Michael Walther re-

viewed the original case and The Blade's se-

strong enough to return Hawkins to duty for an Article 32 hearing, the equivalent of a military grand jury, the newspaper said The Army has not decided whether to prose-

cute Hawkins, according to the newspaper, which said questions remain whether Army lawyers have the legal power to charge him. Hawkins was among 18 former Tiger Force

soldiers accused by Army investigators of crimes ranging from murder and assault to dereliction of duty during an investigation in 1971-75. The case was dropped by the Pentagon and concealed from the public until revealed by The Blade.

The most serious allegation faced by Hawk-



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In the book of Matthew, the disciples asked between themselves a very important question. The men marveled saying, "What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?" Matthew 8:27. I will tell you what kind of man He is. He is the head, He is the first, He is the leader of "THE LEAGUE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENTLEMEN" and every man

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Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Heath Snow keeps a tight grip atop a bull at the Ventura Rodeo in California in May. The Seabee, currently deployed to southern Spain, works as a professional bull rider in his spare time.

Holding tight to a dream

Seabee keeps adrenaline flowing at rodeos

BY SCOTT SCHONAUER Stars and Stripes

NAVAL STATION Spain - Petty Officer 3rd C Heath Snow likes to live on the edge

When he isn't deployed or taking care of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion FOUR's armory, you'll likely find the Seabee at a rodeo moonlighting as a professional bull rider. The Texan competes in about 20 rodeos a year as a member of the Proonal Rodeo Cowboys Association, the nation's premier rodeo

"You get addicted to it," Snow said. "It's one of those things you do it once and you're either going to love it or you're going to be scared of it. A lot of people, it scares the hell out of them the

Snow, 28, of Abilene, Texas, rode his first bull when he was 16 years old. He has been riding ever since Although both his father and

grandfather rode bulls, his mothr didn't approve of him doing it He had to sneak out with his friend to a ranch where he could satisfy his admitted addiction. He didn't do well in his first

small roden but got better with practice.

"It takes a lot of skill," he said "It's not something you learn the first time you get down there. It's not like riding a horse or anything else because you're constantly moving in different directions and you really don't know what they're going to do.

Petty Officer 2nd Class Maurice Johnson, 35, said Snow, his good friend, is one of those people who seem deceivingly quiet and soft-spoken at first impression.

"They may seem like they're quiet but they do some real crazy stuff," he said.

To prepare for a rodeo, Snow pumps iron, runs and works with "practice bulls" that are tamer than those in competition A good bull rider must be in top condition.

Petty



Officer **3rd Class** Heath Snow Snow is a

professional bull rider and member of the Professional

Rodeo Cowboys Association. Job: Works in the armory for Naval Mobile Construction Battalion FOUR, which is currently deployed to Naval

Family: Divorced, two children

Hometown: Abilene, Texas

Station Rota Spain

2,000-pound bull can still punish the best athlete with one buck. "It's like being tied to the back

of a truck going about 60 mph from zero, jerking you along," he said. "They jerk so hard they create G-force. They have an unbelievable amount of power. You have to respect that. You have to get out of their way when you get down

There have been some scarv moments. Last May, the chute opened before Snow was ready. The bull spun Snow around several times before trampling him. If not for the intervention of a rodeo clown. Snow believes he could have been crushed by the animal and possibly killed.

He walked away with a separated ankle, a sprained wrist and the tendons separated from his knee. His fiancée, Ruth Kennedy, was there taking photos and saw the

whole thing.
"I had so much adrenaline

going through me I didn't realize I was hurt at the time," Snow

But that didn't stop him from getting back on another bull. Just weeks later, he participated in another rodeo.

Getting injured is like a rite of assage for bull riders. Although bull riders today wear Kevlar vests to prevent their torso from getting punctured, most do not wear helmets. Concussions and twisted joints are common. "It's all part of the game," Snow

said

Snow, a former Army Ranger who served eight years in the Army, is no stranger to rough sports. He used to play on a Navy rugby team and has a broken nose to prove it Competing in any rodeos the

next six months will be impossi-ble because his battalion is deployed to southern Spain. As a gunner's mate for the battalion, he takes care of all of the weapons and trains other Seabees on how to use them. But when he gets out of the

Navy in February, he plans to work as a blacksmith and do the bull riding full time.

If he does well, he figures he can earn a good living.
Professional bull riders can

make between \$500 for the small-er rodeos to more than \$20,000 for the larger ones. The top echelon of bull riders makes more than \$100,000 annually, according to the PRCA. Snow, who is divorced, is look-

ing forward to returning to Texas so he can be closer to his two sons, who are 3 and 5. But he isn't sure how long he'll be able to ride bulls. Maybe five years. It all de-

pends on how his body holds up.
"Between the military, rugby
and everything else, it's taken
quite a beating," he said.
He approaches the life much

like he does a bucking bull: Just hold on and ride it for as long as you can.

You can't force things," he

Cheerleaders take their skills to K-Town





The Universal Cheerleaders Association sponsored a three-day camp over the weekend in Kaiserslautern, Germany. The camp, which ended Sunday, drew 196 participants from grades nine through 12. They learned cheers. sideline chants, dances, stunts and safety techniques from UCA coaches. Based in the United States, UCA conducts camps at more than 450 sites in the States and Europe. Top: Cheerleaders from Department of Defense Dependents Schools throughout Europe practice a dance routine. Right: LICA instructor Peter Michel demonstrates a position to Lakenheath's Olivia Sather. Far right: Cheerleaders from Hanau High School in Germany practice a cradle, catching Nikki McGuire after a



10 detainees to be held

SAN JUAN. Puerto Rico -U.S. military review panel has ruled that 10 prisoners accused of links to Afghanistan's Talihan regime or the al-Qaida network were properly classified as "enemy combatants" and should not be freed, an official said Satur-

The panels have decided 29 of the 53 cases reviewed so far should continue to be held, said Navy Cmdr. Beci Brenton, a Pentagon spokeswoman. There are about 585 men who are under review at the U.S. outpost.

The military has declined to provide details on the 29 cases. Brenton said the government is

waiting for permission from the men's embassies. None of the men who have gone

before the review tribunals have been charged.





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IN THE WORLD

Russians begin burials of school siege victims



In St. Petersburg, Russia, a woman cries while placing flowers at a covered with photos of the Beslan hostage crisis Sunday. Wails of mourning echoed in Russia on Sunday in the wake of the school siege that left at least 340 people, nearly half of them children, dead,

BY BURT HERMAN The Associated Press

BESLAN, Russia - Funeral processions snaked through this grief-wracked town as relatives buried the first victims of the school siege in southern Russia in rows of freshly dug graves Sunday, while frantic parents still searched for missing children two days after the crisis erupted into violence that left more than 350 people dead.

Wails of mourning women echoed from courtyards where families made ritual meals and from a football-field sized plot of land next to the cemetery in this small city in the North Ossetia region. where men dug graves as surveyors across the road marked out new plots with wooden stakes and

"When a person goes to the cemetery for a burial, it's sad, but nothing like this - when you dig graves for your children,' ' said Anzor Kudziyev, 25, a volunteer gravedigger who helped prepare the field for the burials

RUSSIA CHECHNIYA Beslan NORTH * Vladikavkaz OSSETIA GEORGIA Source: ESRI

The paroxysm of violence left few families untouched in this tight-knit mostly industrial town, whose population of 30,000 belies a village atmosphere in which many leave their doors unlocked. Most people in Beslan had a relative, friend or neighbor killed or

There were conflicting official reports of the death toll, apparently confused in part because of the large number of body fragments

collected at the school. North Ossetia's health minister Alexander Soplevenko said at least 340 people were dead, while his deputy Taimuraz Revazov said 324 were confirmed dead. Interfax quoted regional government spokesman Lev Dzugavev as saying the toll stood at 338, but he later said in televised comments that the number was 335

The regional health ministry said 180 people were missing after the three-day hostage crisis, which began when armed attackers raided School No. 1 on the first day of classes, seizing stu-dents, teachers and parents who brought their children to opening-day ceremonies.

Russian media speculated that some of the missing could be among the wounded who were brought to various hospitals in North Ossetia, unconscious or in too deep a state of shock - or just too young - to identify themselves

Also, many of the dead still have not been identified - a process that could take a long time The health ministry said 207 of

the dead had been identified. More than 700 people needed medical help after the crisis and officials said 386 remained hospitalized Sunday in North Ossetia, including 184 children, the Interfax news agency reported. Sever-al badly wounded victims have been taken to Moscow hospitals.

As some residents buried their dead others were still searching for relatives. Many expressed doubt over the government accounts of the tragedy's magnitude, a skepticism stoked by severe initial understatements by officials of the number of hostages, which exceeded 1 100

Ouestions also remained about the identity of the hostage-takers - Russian officials said several of them were from Arab countries, but little information substantiating that has been released and about the events leading up to the chaotic climax of the cri-

North Ossetia's Emergency Situations Minister Boris Dzgoyev said Saturday that 35 attackers were killed. However, Russian Deputy Prosecutor General Sergei Fridinsky said Sunday that according to the latest information. 32 terrorists had been involved and the bodies of 30 of them had been found, Interfax reported.

Three suspects were detained in Beslan on Saturday, Interfax reported, citing unnamed law enforcement sources.

Russian officials said the bloodbath began when explosions were apparently set off by the militants possibly by accident - as emergency workers entered the courtyard to collect the bodies of dead hostages.

They said the militants opened fire on hostages who started to flee in the confusion, prompting security forces and armed locals to return fire and commandos to move in.







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Pope beatifies 3 more Catholics

BY VICTOR L. SIMPSON The Associated Press

LORETO, Italy — A frail Pope John Paul II put three more Roman Catholics on the road to sainthood during a visit to a hilltop shrine Sunday, struggling at times but cheered on by 200,000 pilgrims.

He seemed drained, seated in a wheeled throne in glittering green vestments, at the end of the three-hour ceremony in 86 degree heat. The large crowd broke into applause when he told them: "The pope greets you, supports you and blesses you from the heart.

The 84-year-old pontiff, who has Parkinson's disease and crippling knee and hip ailments, read his homily with difficulty.

He left one portion to be read by an aide. But he seemed stronger than during his trip to Lourdes, France, three weeks ago.

John Paul did not speak of the Russian school tragedy. But a young man read a prayer - "for the dead, for the children and for all the innocent victims."

Hundreds of people were killed

in violence at a hostage standoff at the school in southern Russia.

Organizers and police said at least 200,000 pilgrims showed up at Italy's leading Marian shrine, which overlooks the Adriatic Sea south of Ancona.

Security was tight, with police closing down roads into Loreto hours before the pope's arrival by Italian military helicopter from his summer residence at Castel Gandolfo, south of Rome. The trip was arranged around

the beatification of three members - a Spaniard and two Italians - of the Christian organization Catholic Action. He has already visited Switzerland and France this year, and al-

though he has been invited to Istanbul, Turkey, by an Orthodox leader, the Vatican has given no confirmation that the visit will take place. It was the fifth trip to Loreto, Italy's leading Marian shrine, of his nearly 26-year papa-

Restification is the last formal step before possible sainthood.

Sunday's ceremony raises to 1,333 the number of Catholics John Paul has beatified, more



Pope John Paul II kisses the relics of Alberto Marvelli and Pina Suriano, two lay Italians, and Pedro Tarres y Claret, a Spanish priest-physician, heatified during a solemn Mass, near the shrine of Loreto, Italy,

than done by all his predecessors than that born from Christ's combined over the past 50 years.

The pope has sought to give Catholics role models, and he said Sunday that "there is no greater freedom than that of love" for Christ, "no greater brotherhood cross

Those beatified Sunday lived in the 20th century: a Spanish priest-physician, Pedro Tarres y Claret, and two lay Italians, Alberto Marvelli and Pina Suriano

Mass marks anniversary of Calcutta nun's death

The Associated Press

CALCUTTA India - Nearly 100 people gathered for a special Sunday Mass to pay tribute to Mother Teresa on the seventh anniversary of her death.

Nuns in indigo-trimmed white saris and volunteers decorated Mother Teresa's marbled tomb with garlands and red roses, lit candles and incense sticks and chanted hymns.

Traditionally, the Roman Catholic Church doesn't permit Mass commemorating a person on Sundays. But the Vatican made an exception for Mother Teresa, who was beatified in October.

Born Agnes Gonxhe Boiaxhiu in what is now Skopje, Macedonia, Mother Teresa died at age 87 on Sept. 5, 1997, in Cal-cutta, the capital of India's West Bengal state, where she spent most of her life.

The Missionaries of Charity, the order Mother Teresa founded, runs centers for impoverished people worldwide. She received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979.



IN THE STATES

Frances smothers Fla. with wind, heavy rain

BY TIM REYNOLDS

STUART, Fla. — Hurricane Frances weakened but still pounded Florida with high wind and heavy rain Sunday after smashing across the state's east coast, knocking out power to 4 million people, shredding roofs and unporting trees.

Some evacuees fled a second time when a school's roof was partially blown off. Some 86,000 people remained in shelters as Gov. Jeb Bush warned them against venturing out to see the damage until officials say it's OK.

"I didn't think it would get this bad," Carline Cadet said as she ventured through her West Palm Beach neighborhood in rain gear. "The shutters were flapping in the wind so hard all night. It was crazy loud."

Specifics on damage and injuries will be impossible to gather until after the storm passes, said Craig Fugate, the state's director of emergency management.

The storm made landfall with top sustained wind of 105 mph, but by early after nonit was just in mph above minimum huricane strength at 75 mph. Forecasters warned that its path would take the center over the warm water of the northeastern Gulf of Mextoo north of Tampa by early Monday. They said it was possible Frances would regain intensity by Monday night and hit the central Panhandle near Apalachicola.

"This is affecting the entire peninsula today, either tropical storm-force or hurricane-force winds. And then tomorrow it will be up in the panhandle, and then moving up into Georgia and Alabama," National Hurricane Center director Max Mayfield said Sunday on CBS "Face the Nation."



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A vehicle on northbound Interstate 95 in West Palm Beach, Fla., cruises past a sinkhole that developed following heavy rains Saturday night from Hurricane Frances.

The eye of the storm blew ashore at Sewall's Point, just east of Suart, around 1 a.m., and by 2 p.m. it was centered about 55 miles east of Tampa, near Lake Wales in the middle of the Florida Peninsula. Frances was moving toward the west-northwest at about 9 mph, and expected to remain over the state for most of the day, dumping 8 to 12 inches of rain, with un to 20 inches in some areas.

"I wish somebody'd get out there and push it — get it over with," said 72-year-old Nedra Smith, who waited out the storm in the lobby of a Palm Bay hotel. Hurricane Charley tore through, killing 27 people and causing billions of dollars in damage. About 230 miles of coastline—from the Deerfield Beach area northward to Flagler Beach — remained under a hurricane warning Sunday morning. A similar-sized part of the Panhandle from the mouth of the Suwannee River to Destin on the Gulf of Mexico were also under the warning.

The storm forced the largest evacuation in state history, with 2.8 million residents ordered inland and 86,000 of them in shelters. Miami-Dade County told about 320,000 people they could return home Sunday, but the storm had shut down

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much of Florida, including airports and amusement parks, during the usually busy Labor Day weekend. Airports in Miami and Fort Lauderdale reopened Sunday, but Orlando remained closed.

President Bush declared a major disaster in the counties affected by Frances, meaning residents may get federal aid.

Four people were hospitalized in Boynton Beach after breathing carbon monoxide from a generator that was running in a house. There were reports of injuries in St. Lucie County, but sheriff's spokesman Mark Weinberg said he had no details.

At least two deaths were blamed on the storm in the Bahamas, where thousands were forced from their homes.

In Jensen Beach, sections of Indian River Drive washed into the river, leaving holes about 8 feet deep. Roads, streets and beaches elsewhere in the state were littered with debris. Businesses were shuttered, trees were bent and light posts wobbled in the howling gutst.

Dotting had become a problem. Police in the Orlando area said 10 thieves used a sto-len car to smash into a store and steal about \$10,000 worth of clothing, and two men were arrested as they tried to steal an ATM machine with a chain saw. At least 10 other people were arrested for looting in Indian River County, Palm Beach County

and Brevard County.

Florida Power & Light pulled crews off the streets because of the wind, leaving 4 million customers without power, spokesman Bill Swank said. Nearly all of Vero Beach, 30 miles north of Stuart, was blackened, the city's utility said.

In Martin County, where Stuart is located, 630 people taking shelter at a school had to move to another shelter when part of the roof blew off, flooding 16 rooms. More than 300 people were able to remain in the school.



Two men shot dead RALEIGH, N.C. — Two brothers were arrested in the shooting deaths of two young men at a tail-

deaths of two young men at a tailgate party before a college football game, authorities said.

Witnesses said a fistfight preced-

winnesses saud a instignt preced the shootings Saturday evening. The victims, identified as Kevin M. McCam, 23, of Chicago, and Marine 2nd Lt. Brett Johnson Harman, 23, of Park Ridge, Ill., were tailgating before North Carolina State University's season-opening football game against Richmond.

Tony H. Johnson, 20, of Raleigh, and his brother, Timothy W. Johnson, 22, an NCSU student, were arrested a short time later and charged with two counts of first-degree murder, said sheriff's department spokeswoman Phyllis Stephens.

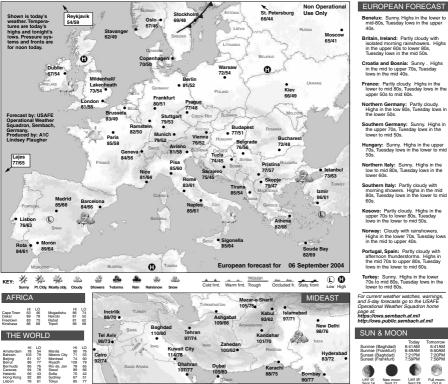
A witness, Brian Smith, 31, said the victims had been tossing a football when a car drove recklessly in a parking lot packed with football fans. He said the men pulled the blond-haired driver from his car and beat him, pushing his head into the dirt.

The blond man left in his car, shouting curses and threatening revenge, Smith said. He returned later and asked Smith where to find the men who had beaten him, saying he had "a .38 Smith & Wesson for them."

Smith, who said the man ap-

peared intoxicated, pointed in the direction of the victims and heard gunshots a short time later.

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Muslim women walk past a booth set up at the 41st annual Islamic Society of North America convention Friday in Rosemont, III.

'Muslims for Bush' lobby fuels debate

Many followers feel the president's war on terror has created a bad name for religion

BY RACHEL ZOLL The Associated Press

ROSEMONT, Ill. - They stop abruptly when they see the 5-foot-tall photo of President Bush, with "muslimsforbush.com" above his head.

Then come the outbursts.

"Disgusting," said one onlook-er. "Take that down," said anoth-

At the largest annual convenof American Muslims, a pro-Bush booth has stirred anger among attendees who believe the president's actions since Sept. 11, 2001, have hurt more innocent Muslims than terrorists.

"I think President Bush has misled not only the United States, but the world," said Noor Macia-el, an educator who called the booth "disgusting" and planned to vote for Democrat John Kerry.

"He has put us in a situation where the whole world is hating this country."
The display was funded by Mu-

hammad Ali Hasan and his mother, Seeme, who recently created the group "Muslims for Bush." Seeme Hasan said in a phone interview that she and her husband Malik, a Colorado physician who earned his wealth in the health care industry, have donated more than \$1 million to Bush and Republican causes since the 2000 campaign.

"The reason we are doing this is that Muslims don't have a lob byist," Seeme Hasan said. "We want to be there. We are going to give contributions at the highest level

Bush has other supporters in the Muslim community. Some are Iraqi-Americans overjoyed that Saddam Hussein has been oust-

Others are entrepreneurs who view the GOP as more friendly to business interests. And many devout Muslims prefer the Republicans' conservative stand on social issues such as gay marriage.

But many Muslims at the non-partisan Islamic Society of North

America convention were not grateful for the Hasans' activism. An older man gawked at the photo of the president with his arms wrapped around Muham-mad and Seeme Hasan, and said. 'I'm numb. I'm speechless.

then joined a group that had cornered a conference official demanding that the display be taken down. A volunteer staffing the booth said some people were taking campaign material and throwing it out. Asma Gull Hasan, the elder

Hasan's daughter, who was also at the booth, said she had expected negative remarks. However, she said she was encouraged that some passers-by had quietly told her they would vote for the presi-

Bush has a complex relationship with American Muslims. He declared Islam a peaceful

religion when some other U.S. leaders were condemning the faith, and honored Muslim holidays in the White House.

After Sept. 11, the president made a gesture of enormous significance for the community when he visited a Washing-ton-area mosque and warned the public that anger over the suicide hijackings should not be directed toward U.S. Muslims.

However, his subsequent policies have caused deep resent-

Muslim leaders say the domestic war on terror and the USA Patriot Act, which extended controversial law enforcement powers nave cast so wide a net Muslims and their institutions have become suspect.

Leading American Muslim or ganizations endorsed Bush in 2000 over Democrat Al Gore, expecting the Texas governor would be more sympathetic to their concerns. But Muslims have said since that they regretted their decision

Surveys of U.S. Muslims indicate a majority will vote for Kerry, even though they fear he will not go far enough in repeal-ing parts of the Patriot Act.

McCain plays peacemaker

Senator said both sides unfair in their campaign attacks

By LIZ SIDOTI The Associated Press

ROSWELL, N.M. - John McCain tried Saturday to play peacemaker again.

The Republican said Democrat John Kerry was "unfair" when he criticized the GOP ticket as "unfit to lead the nation" and when he suggested that President Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney avoided serving in Vietnam.

"John Kerry's characterization that the president is unfit for duty is unfair," said McCain, a Republican senator from Arizona

"I categorically reject that just as I categorically reject allegations that Senator Kerry didn't serve honorably

Kerry had lashed out at Bush after the GOP con vention, where speakers criticized his Senate voting record on national security issues and argued that the Democrat was unfit to be commander in chief.

McCain, a prisoner of war for more than five years while serving in Vietnam, came to Kerry's defense last month, calling on Bush to condemn ads by the Swift Boat Veterans for Truth that questioned Kerry's Vietnam service.

"The Vietnam War was over 30 years ago. We have a war in Iraq to fight," McCain said. "President Bush served honorably. John Kerry served honorably. End of story.'

On Thursday night, Kerry hit back shortly after Bush finished his convention speech, saying: "I will not have my commitment to defend this country questioned by those who refused to serve when they could have and who misled America into Iraq."

Bush served stateside in the Texas Air National Guard. Cheney received five deferments and never served in the military.

McCain, a Kerry friend but a Bush supporter, spoke with reporters while campaigning with

Asked if Republicans have mischaracterized Ker-



ry's positions on the military and Iraq, McCain said: "Everybody's misrepresenting each other's position. Yes, they have mischaracterized. But, yes, the Democrats have mischaracterized the Republicans as well." McCain said while he be-

lieves that Kerry would be "a good president in every way, he believes that Bush would be "a much better president because he's proven his strength and clarity and leadership of this nation in time of crisis.

He also called the debate over Vietnam service "a distraction" that's taking away from pressing issues

Stephanie Cutter, a Kerry spokeswoman, stuck by Kerry's comments. "We agree with Senator McCain that the debate

should not be about what happened 35 years ago, it should be about the state of the country today," she said. "Because of the way George Bush and Dick Cheney misled this nation into war, they are unfit to lead the country for another four years.

Chenev calls Clinton

COLUMBUS, Ga. - Vice President Dick Cheney, who has had four heart attacks, called former President Clinton on Saturday to wish him well with his upcoming heart bypass surgery.
"I just called to let him know we

were thinking about him, Cheney told reporters aboard Air Force Two. "I've been through a similar experience before. The key was to have the good sense to go get checked if you thought you had a problem, which he obviously did.

Cheney, 63, said he told Clinton about having undergone a quadruple bypass 16 years ago.

"I was living proof of the wonmodern medicine. Cheney said.

Clinton, 58, was expected to undergo heart bypass surgery as early as Monday.

Heinz Kerry hospitalized

MASON CITY, Iowa — Teresa Heinz Kerry, the wife of Demo-cratic presidential candidate John Kerry, was taken to a hospital here late Saturday after complaining of an upset stomach, a spokeswoman said.

She was taken to Mercy Medical Center-North Iowa

"As a precaution, Mrs. Heinz

Kerry had a series of routine tests performed and was released," said Sarah Gegenheimer, a spokeswoman for Heinz Kerry. "She is feeling better and is traveling to her home in Pittsburgh tonight as planned."

EXCHANGE RATES

From The Associated Press

ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day

IBM recalls adapters

WASHINGTON - IBM Corp is recalling some 553,000 note-book computer adapters sold worldwide because they can overheat and pose fire and shock hazards, the company and the government said last week.

IBM is not aware of any inju-ries caused by the 56-watt AC power adapters but has received at least six reports of overheating, which can damage the circuit board, the Consumer Product Safety Commission said.

Most of the adapters accompa nied IBM ThinkPad i Series, 390 and 240 Series and s Series notebooks. The rectangular product has three hollow pins on one end that connect to a cord, and the IBM logo and the number 02K6549 appear on the label.

The recall includes about 225.000 adapters sold across the United States with ThinkPad computers by electronics and computer stores, IBM's Web site, mail-order catalogues, phone orders and resellers from January 1999 to August 2000. The product was also sold separately for about \$55. IBM said other adapters were shipped in the same months

to Asian Pacific countries, excluding Japan.

Consumers are advised to unplug the adapters and visit www.AdapterProgram.com for information on free replacements.



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Kids' day a bad idea

I cannot believe that such an article as "Seeing what Dad does downrange" (Aug. 31) can be printed.

These soldiers were showing boys ages 4 to 16 how to fire an M16 rifle at a live-fire range with live ammunition. I know their fathers are downrange, and many soldiers have been wounded and killed. But I don't believe they would want their kids doing what they are doing or ending up like them.

I feel it was a mistake of the personnel who thought of such an idea as showing these kids how to fire an M16. Are we fol lowing the same footsteps as the terrorists who teach their kids to shoot weapons and tell their kids this is what your dad is doing?

Having these young kids shooting at targets with live ammunition and telling them this is what your dad is doing is the most ridiculous thing I have ever seen.

If you really want to show the kids what their fathers' jobs are, then take them to an amusement park or on a camping trip That's what their fathers would be doing if they were home

I think the kids already know their fathers are soldiers and what they do is important. What they don't need to know is that their fathers are out there killing peo ple by having them fire at targets with live ammunition and having their kids see what happens to the targets.

It just makes me sick.

William Otero Bamberg, Germany

Church not wrong

As an Army dietitian and Catholic Sunday school teacher, I was doubly con-cerned about 8-year-old Haley Waldeman, (story Aug. 22) a victim of congenital celiac sprue disease.

This condition prevents people from consuming wheat protein called gluten, which damages the small intestine. Haley received a gluten-free communion wafer made from rice instead of wheat at her First Holy Communion by a priest against the advice of his local bishop.

That Haley's mother is now upset that the Church refuses to validate the rite over the use of rice over wheat as prescribed by Catholic doctrine is moot, given that she herself refused the bishop's offer to serve her daughter sacramental wine alone instead of both wine and bread.

According to Catholic doctrine, sacramental wine is enough to transmit grace to the receiver, just as with sacramental bread alone. Gluten may be harmful for Haley, but a single sip of wine poses no health risks, and may even foster a healthy attitude toward alcohol.

Therefore, it is not the Catholic Church that is imposing some legalistic understanding of grace upon Haley's mother at her daughter's expense, but rather the other way around.

To be sure, Haley's mother is rightfully trying to prevent her daughter from any

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harm and is basing her desire for gluten-free bread on sound nutrition guidelines according to the American Dietetics Association.

However, giving the Church she purports to cherish a public black eye - how this story even made it into the press seems dubious — rather than accepting the Church's reasonable offer does not demonstrate the behavior of a well-catechized Catholic. Were it not for her poor judgment, her

daughter still would have been able to ben efit from a valid sacrament had she only heeded her Church's teachings Capt. Michael Trust

Baghdad

Writer misses point

This is in response to "Sensitivity to war." (July 16).

The author writes from Baghdad, and while deserving of all respect for serving in that area, he misses the mark in being convincing of his sensitivity view.

The idea proposed is that sensitivity is the top rung that we have reached on the evolutionary ladder. The author continues by implying that because as Americans we have reached this enlightened state, participation in a war is beneath us. This, he feels is the reason why some American citizens are opposed to this war.

I, however, have a far less idealistic reason; body bags.

The idea that by withdrawing from this war the body bags on both sides would stop being filled, fails to take into account two things: 1. People were being killed in Iraq under the old regime as a part of daily life. 2. Terrorism isn't contained by borders, and terrorists won't stop killing simnly because we're not in their country.

The idea that we've evolved beyond the need for violence fails in recognizing some "evolutionary" statistics. Such as (according to the National Center for Victims of Crime) in the United States one murder is committed every 32 minutes, or that a violent crime is committed every 7 seconds. What this shows is that not only does our

superior sensitivity not affect the level of violence we tolerate, but that more day-to-day deaths have taken place unnoticed by the public, in the United States, then servicemembers killed in this war, in spite of the daunting tasks of overthrowing a dictator's regime and trying to support and stabilize a new government.

The idea that standing up for those that can't stand up for themselves, or ensuring the continued prosperity of our country has produced no positive results, ironically takes for granted your First Amendment right to say such foolishness -which was secured through war.

The author is right when he states that, 'We are not looking for conquest in a good fight

What he misses though, is that we are looking for victory in the good fight against terrorism. Because failure in this endeavor will do nothing less than degrade and erode the freedoms that we hold

Now I'm not advocating war simply for war's sake. But what it comes down to is this: You can't hide under your bed when someone comes into your house and hope they won't find you.

We must recall the resolve that was felt on Sept. 11, 2001, and continue to stand for those who can't So that in the future none of our children will have to continue to fight against an enemy that doesn't have any sympathy. James Lewis

Stuttgart, Germany

Strong leadership?

What an "Alice in Wonderland" country we live in, when — if you have a comba record, served your country honorably and sustained wounds/received medals to prove it (as did John Kerry, Max Cleland and John McCain) — you are subject to dirty tricks and a political smear cam-paign spearheaded by those who claim to hold "unity," "family values" and "love of country" in high esteem.

Conversely, you are considered a "strong leader" if you chose not to serve when called upon and have no war record, but rather opted for the "campaign tour," missing a year of duty in the Air National Guard during a time of war, as did President Rush Vice President Dick Chenev's five defer-

ments during the Vietnam War (his "ex-pectant parent" deferment having been created especially for him) are likewise considered "strong leadership" traits as are the deferments of Paul Wolfowitz, Richard Perle, John Ashcroft, Saxby "bad knees" Chambliss, Tom Delay, Karl Rove, and Rush Limbaugh.

But, oh, how they love to bang the "bring 'em on" war drums, as long as somebody else does the fighting.

Does America wish to imply that it's bet-ter not to serve at all? If so, then something is terribly wrong with how we define honor, courage, leadership and commitment to our country. Edwin Thornburg

Würzburg, Germany

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

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OPINION

On Labor Day, workers only earn a day off

BY MARK WEISBROT

WASHINGTON abor Day 2004 is anything but a picnic for the vast majority of America's 147-million-member labor force. No matter how you slice it. most U.S. workers are worse off than they were at this time last year.

The average real wage - that is, adjusted for inflation - has actually fallen over the past year. This is in spite of the fact that the economy has grown by 4.7 percent. In other words, even when the economy is growing, most of the people who make it grow aren't getting anything out of it.

This continues a long-term trend - briefly interrupted in the late 1990s — that has dominated the past 30 years. Over the past three decades the median real wage has grown by only about 8 percent. In other words, the majority of the American labor force has failed to share in the gains from economic growth.

This by itself is an outrage and ought to be a major political issue in an election year Prior to the "Age of Greed" it was normal for the wages of most workers to grow with productivity. If that had happened over the past three decades, the typical (median) family income would be more than \$60,000, instead of the \$43,300 that it is today

This is not a utopian "what if" scenario but rather what would have actually occurred if most American workers had not lost so much bargaining power

Most of this loss stems from policy chang-

ample, the decline in union membership and strength results from legal and institutional changes that have made it extremely diffi cult for workers to organize unions and bargain collectively.

Tens of thousands of workers are illegally fired each year for organizing or attempting to join a union, and companies can refuse to bargain with unions for years even when they are legally obligated to do so. Human Rights Watch found that the United States had a "culture of near impunity" for employers who violate basic labor rights.

Our trade and commercial agreements with other countries have also been deliberately designed to drive down the wages of most workers, while protectionism for professionals - doctors and lawyers, for example - remains intact. It is no wonder that most of the massive redistribution of income of recent decades has gone from the bottom half of the labor force to professional and other highly paid employees

To reverse these trends, we will need real labor law reform that restores collective bargaining rights for American labor. But it will still be difficult to make up for 30 years of

So labor's best hope for the foreseeable future is probably going to be found in universal programs, such as health care, where workers are currently losing ground as employers cut back on benefits and increase employee co-payments.

Most European workers not only have universal health insurance, but four or five



weeks of vacation a year, paid family leave and often subsidized child care as well. Their societies are no richer than ours: they just have different priorities.

In the case of health care, our costs are so out of control - we spend nearly twice as much per person as other developed countries and still leave a sixth of our population uninsured - that reform will be increasingly difficult to avoid.

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to share in the prosperity that their labor creates also have the advantage — like Social Security and Medicare — of a broad political appeal that makes them easier to win and preserve.

If we can make some progress in these areas by next year's Labor Day, then maybe American labor will have something to cele-

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Real wages have improved with nation's economy two-year high in July — a stunning im-provement of 30 points since July 2003,

BY MARK J. PERRY

FLINT Mich s we celebrate their economic achievements on Labor Day American workers can be proud that they are the most productive in the world. Workers can also be thankful that there is overwhelming evidence that the labor market has improved significantly since last Labor Day, and likely will continue to improve

Measured by output per person, no country in the world even comes close to matching the productivity of American workers will produce 30 percent of global output this year with only 5 percent of the world's labor force.

Japanese workers are only 74 percent as productive as American workers, and European workers are only 84 percent as

The world-class productivity of Ameri-can workers also means they have the highest wages, the most stable employment, and the highest standard of living in the world. Because their productivity is so much lower the income and standard of living of an average European worker is about on par with workers in America's poorest state, Mississippi.

Europeans are also twice as likely to be unemployed as our workers. And economic conditions keep getting better for the U.S. work force.

The national unemployment rate of 5.4

percent in August was the lowest in 34 months, far below the 6.25 percent average since 1970, and a significant improvement from 6.2 percent in July 2003

Since Labor Day 2003, the unemployment rate has declined in all but one state and the employment picture is so strong that three states set record-low jobless rates this year.
Unemployed workers are also finding it

easier to find jobs this year — the median number of weeks unemployed is the lowest since 2001, and is two weeks shorter than last year. The number of discouraged workers as a percentage of the labor force is lower now than during the corresponding period of the last economic expansion We have had 34 consecutive quarters of

growth in real wages for Ameri can workers, the longest string of real-wage creases since the 1960s Real wages for U.S. workers in-creased by 5 percent since 2002, and are current ly increasing at

the highest rate in three years. The improvements in the labor market

have been largely responsible for a huge surge in consumer confidence since last Labor Day Consumer confidence has increased in

eight out of the last 12 months, and hit a

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workers, the longest string of real-wage increases since the 1960s. cent, the fastest pace in four years.

Record-low interest rates and the improving economy also boosted both home sales and the homeownership rate to all-time record highs in 2004.

Fortunately, the biggest gains in homeownership recently have been by minority households, households under 35 years. and households with income less than the median. Homeownership has never been more affordable for the average working household than today.

Workers in the United States can celebrate Labor Day this year with pride as the most productive and highest paid workers in the world. In the international competition for labor productivity, American workers take all of the gold medals.

Workers can also be thankful that the "jobless recovery" of 2002 and 2003 has now turned into a full and robust economic expansion that promises to keep getting better in the future.

Improvements for workers since last Labor Day have been so positive that, for the first time in the current economic expansion that officially started in November 2001, we can confidently say that the labor market has finally made its long-awaited comeback.

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Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



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Cougars just visiting

WA DUVALL — Three cougar kittens were found in a couple's back yard, and authorities have no idea how they ended up there.

The kittens were found behind the home of Steve Schroeder and Sheilah MacDonald in this rural town. They took the little cougars to the ani-

mal welfare organization PAWS in Lynnwood the next day. There the kittens are being fed by wildlife specialists working to prevent them from imprinting on hu-

They weighed 3 pounds each when found and now weigh 5 pounds each.

When police dogs attack

EVANSVILLE — This police dog didn't take a bite out of crime — he bit an elderly man watching authorities conduct a search being filmed by a local TV

The canine that was tracking a gunman bit John Terry, a resident of Senior World retirement community, who was watching the search. Terry did not require medical

Terry did not require medical treatment, police said. He was sitting on an outdoor swing surveying the scene when the dog came up from behind and bit him on the right

A camera crew from Evansville TV station WEHT was taping the police search, and got the bite on video.

Ribs fest kicks off

SPARKS — Some 300,000 people are expected to pig out on about 130,000 pounds of pork ribs.

The 16th annual Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-off got off to a sizzling start Thursday, and was to cook up ribs through Monday.

All the meaty bones are coming from Curly's Foods Inc., in Sioux City, Iowa.

The five-day cook-off attracts an estimated 300,000 who chow on "two-and-a-quarter down, St. Louis style" ribs.

First prize is \$7,500, a 4-foot trophy and, perhaps most important, bragging rights.

Cleaner spending spree

MD BALTIMORE — Three state agencies paid much more than they should have for janitorial supplies from July 2001 through last November, according to a state audit.

The report found that the State Highway Administration, Springfield Hospital Center and Morgan State University paid as much as 28 times more than the best-available prices.

The three agencies bought goods worth a total of \$1.4 million from 17 companies through the period that auditors identified as showing a pattern of paying exorbitant prices, the report said.

Religious signs ban

TALLAHASSEE — The state Supreme Court says a Boca Raton ordinance banning upright crosses and Stars of David in a city cemetery doesn't violate a state law protecting religious freedom. The court notes the prohibition is

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just against vertical markers, not against religious signs. The ACLU sued the city on behalf of 400 families who used religious symbols as monuments

Family sues Six Flags

et HARTFORD — The family of a Bloomfield man who fell from a roller coaster at Six Flags New England filed a wrongful death lawsuit, saying the amusement park's owners have failed to live up to a settlement agreement.

Stanley Mordarsky, 55, was killed May 1 when he tumbled from the "Superman, Ride of Steel" coaster

at the Agawam, Mass., park.
A settlement that was reached after the accident would have given \$450,000 to Mordarsky's mother and brother. The lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court seeks \$1.5 million for Mordarsky's estate.

Speeder caught

GRAND HAVEN — Authorities couldn't catch him, but they knew where to find him.

After receiving complaints in recent days about a motorcyclist repeatedly speeding on Interstate 196, deputies decided to wait for him alongside the highway.

They spotted the motorcyclist heading east. He was a blur as he blew past, and the deputies briefly gave chase. They clocked him doing 154 mph on a motorcycle on 1-196.



Piggy party
Minor's Farm's Daisy the potbellied pig sits in a baby carriage
during her 10th birthday party at
the Bristol, Conn., Boys & Girls

"If he's going 150, obviously we're not going to catch him," said Ottawa County sheriff's Sgt. Bill DeW-

Deputies arrested the 21-year-old man a short time later at his job in

time later at his job in Grand Rapids. The man faces several charges, including speeding and fleeing and eluding au-

thorities, said DeWitt. Medical settlement

MS BILOXI — A Mississippi man was awarded more than \$1.4 million in damages for injuries he suffered during unnecessary brain surgery.

charles Conneti sued the doctors at Memorial Hospital in Gulfport and Charity Hospital in New Openan in 2001. Surgeon Michael Lowry and radiologist Michael Diaz were accused of causing permanent neurological damage to Cometit. Lowry performed the surgery torsewer a cryst. The cyst was in the brain of another patient who later died.

Mended heart

OH CINCINNATI — An Iraqi girl who had heart surgery was released from Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

Fatma Saad Abdul-Aziz, 9, is expected to spend at least five weeks living with a family in suburban Anderson Township. She came to the United States after her father brought her to a U.S. military base

near Baghdad.

An Army physician's assistant helped arrange her travel and treatment.

Record fine over trout

LEWISTON — A record fine man for violating ladao trust fishing man for violating ladao trust fishing season and the season for the season for the season fishing and the season fishing

Man pleads not guilty

RACINE — A man accused of beating, kidnapping and leaving his former wife in a locked, unheated storage unit last winter pleaded not guilty to five charges during a preliminary hearing.

David M. Larsen, 40, is accused of ambushing his ex-wife, Teri Jendusa-Nicolai, when she stopped at his home to pick up their children Jan. 31. Investigators say he beat her with bat, stuffed her in a plastic garbage container and then left her in an unheated storage facility in Illinois

Park may be fines

CAI SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK — Sequiot-Rigg Canyron National Park may be fined \$75,000 for delying air quality antendries by setting a controlled fire. The San Joaquin Air Pollution Control District said officials willfully disobeyed a June 30 ban on burning Park authorities disagreed with the air board's findings and started the blaze.



Practice makes perfect crystal Barnes, 11, plays her new baritone horn on the porch of her family's Bentonville, Ark., home as her dog, Stormy, listens from a living room window.



Hang on tight Eric Feherenbach, center, hangs on to his daughters, Ellie, 7, left, and Emalee, 5, as they fly from the buffer of the bungee ride at the Central Wisconsin State



Stream of fire

A section of the wildfire northwest of Amido
N.D., flares as a line of flames consumes
timber in the hills along the Little Missouri River.



Statuesque bathers

Geese swim in a pond with the sculpture called "The Bathers" at Griffis Sculpture Park in Ashford Hollow, N.Y.



Curious cubs
Arkansas 10 weeks ago.

Two 11 week-old Bengal tiger cubs explore a man-made waterfall at Tiger Creek
Wildlife Refuge near Tyler, Texas. The brothers where rescued from a facility in



Braving mouth of beast

Dave Brickner of Cheektowaga, N.Y., peers out from inside the mouth of "The Beast" at the annual New York State Fair in Geddes, N.Y., Brickner is an employee at the inflatable haunted house.

Prostitution declines

RI WOONSOCKET — Police say prostitution has declined following the arrest of a city man for the murders of three women with histories of drug use and prostitution

Detective Cmdr. Luke Gallant said recent stings and undercover operations suggest there is less prostitution, although the department has not yet compiled the relevant arrest statistics to determine the extent of the drop.

In a sting, the police arrested just

three men on charges of soliciting prostitutes.

"We arrested three, but there were at least 12 more out there who pulled up and talked to the woman but came short of actual solicitation before they got nervous, backed up and pulled away," Gallant told The Providence Journal.

He said the department has not changed the way it tackles prostitution problems, and has not needed

"There's no doubt the Jeffrey Mailhot investigation made johns aware that we're out there," he said. Mailhot was charged last month in connection with three women's deaths.

Policy not renewed

LAKE HAVASU CITY—
The city's insurance policy will not be city's insurance policy will not be city's insurance policy will not be cause the carrier fears not much cause the carrier fears not much cause the carrier fears not much cause the calculation of the company was considered a non-renewal notice from United National Insurance Co., which provides its general liability coverage. Its broker and city staff said the company was worried about potential claims resulting from carbon monoxide poisoning at the Bridgewater Channel, where diding boats have created excess fumes on holiday weekends.

School crackdown

PORTLAND High schools in southern Maine have drafted rules on attire, can lo phones and what students can lo during breaks. Portland High School banned card and dice games on school property. The principal of Deering High School hired a lawyer to define "appropriate" attire for its 1,300 students. Old Orchard Beach High School rolled back a four-year ban on cell phones, but students can't use them during school hours.

School enrollment starts

AR NORTH LITTLE ROCK — The state kicked off a campaign to enroll 7,000 poor children in free preschool programs by Oct. 1. The Legislature approved \$40

million for expanding early childhood education programs in response to a court order to improve schools.

Experts cited studies showing that a good start in school was linked to improved performance later.

Mass layoffs slowing

NEW ORLEANS — The number of large-scale layoffs in Louisiana slowed only a bit in 2004 with more than 11,000 workers losing their jobs en masse this year, according to the U.S. Labor Department. For the first seven months of 2003, there were

123 mass layoffs that took 12,074 workers off payrolls. The report covers employers who cut at least 50 workers in a given month.

Hepatitis C cases down

MADISON — The number of reported hepatitis C cases in Wisconsin fell off last year after a fivefold increase between 1997 and 2002, state officials said. They attribute the overall increase to greater awareness of testing for hepatitis C and reporting requirements. Wisconsin reported 828 cases in 1997, the first year the cases in 1997, the first year the company of the control o

Gamblers getting help

OR PORTLAND Record mumbers of Oregonians ame annulin numbers of Oregonians and program, health officials say. For the first time, there isn't enough money to meet the growing demand, said leffrey Marotta, a psychologist for the state Department of Human Services. He said more than 1,300 gamblers with debt saw up to the said more than 1,300 gamblers with debt saw up in fiscal 2003.

Summertime chill

MINNEAPOLIS — From the northern forests of International Palls to the farm fields south of the Twin Cities, summer has left like fall. Up north, it was the coldest summer on record in International Palls and Hibbing and the fourth coldest in 65 years in Dututh. Temperatures dipped into the 30s at Duluth International Airport his summer on six days, just two short of the numbers of days temperatures high 80 degrees.

Bear hunt

VERNON — Wildlite omcials are considering another December bear hunt after an unusually large number of human encounters with bears occurred in northern New Jersey last month.

Farmers and homeowners in four counties reported more than 30 home invasions and attacks on pets and livestock. More than 300 bears were killed during the state's first bear hunt in 33 years last December, wildlife officials said.

Bear-proof bins

BROWNING — Wildlife managers on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation are installing 25 new bear-proof garbage containers, hoping to reduce conflicts that have led them to kill at least 15 black bears this summer.

Experts say a weak summer berry crop has bears on the prowl for easy food sources, and garbage cans full of food and trash are an easy target.

Dan Carney, a wildlife biologist for the tribe, said typically three or four bears will be destroyed each year after causing problems on the reservation. The deaths this year are "way up," he said.

With the help of a tribal wildlife grant and the Defenders of Wildlife, Blackfeet officials spent about \$41,000 on the new bear-proof bins, he said. Workers placed the bins at different locations over the past two weeks.

Stories and photos from The Associated



Cleo Hearn, center, was inspired by a young child in Harlem to spearhead the start of the Cowboys of Color Rodeo. A fund-raising rodeo was held Saturday at the Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum in Fort Worth, Texas, to raise money for the National Cowboys of Color Museum and Hall of Fame. With Hearn are fellow Hall of Fame members Myrtis Dightman, left, and Steven R. Heape.

Cowboys of Color Rodeo offers unique type of role model

BY BRETT HOFFMAN Fort Worth (Texas) Star-Telegran

FORT WORTH, Texas — It was the late 1960s when a group of visionaries summoned Cleo Hearn to New York City in an attempt to persuade him to produce an African-American rodeo. At first, Hearn wasn't keen on the idea because he believed that a minority

rodeo would promote segregation. And Hearn was commanding respect as a roper on the pro rodeo circuit, which traditionally is dominated by white com-

But Hearn said he changed his mind after he visited Harlem and was challenged by a woman who was part of his group.
"We were driving down the street, and I saw a kid who was 12 or 13 years

old, and it was apparent that he was on drugs," Hearn said. "She asked me,
"If that kid saw a black cowboy at a rodeo who was a role model, would it
change his life?" "That settled the issue for Hearn, 65, who has produced hundreds of rodeos for minorities for more than 30 year

Last week, Hearn was to produce the Cowboys of Color Rodeo at Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum, where more than 300 cowboys and cowgirls who are African-American, Hispanic, Native American, European and Asian competed in afternoon performances

The rodeo was to raise funds for the National Cowboys of Color Museum and Hall of Fame in Fort Worth.

When Hearn visited Harlem, it became clear that African-Americans need-

ed role models, and the rodeo arena was a great venue, he said. Within a year, he was producing an all-black rodeo in Newark, N.J.

Hearn said offering minority cowboys and cowgirls the chance to compete has been rewarding because the sport provides an excellent training ground for overcoming life's challenges.

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"There are two main ingredients for success in life: having discipline and having respect for the rights of other people," Hearn said. "If a person could be a rodeo cowboy for two months, he would learn to respect others."

Being disciplined and focused helped Hearn attend Oklahoma State on a

rodeo scholarship in the 1960s, a unique combination for an African-American at the time. Discipline and focus helped him become a member of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association in 1959

Unlike NCAA rules, college competitors can participate in the PRCA and the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association at the same time, and Hearn took full advantage of the opportunity while completing a business degree at OSU. The degree helped Hearn land a job with Ford Motor Co., and he worked his way up to a regional zone manager for the auto giant before retiring earlier this year.

Before he visited New York more than 30 years ago, Hearn's main goal was to consistently finish in the money at the sport's top events.
"At the time, my main goal was to be a world champion cowboy," Hearn said. "But I've found that the best way that God has used me was by my put-

ting on Cowboys of Color rodeos. They are a developmental system for pro rodeo and for life

Note to readers

Due to technical difficulties, we cannot provide a complete AFN tele vision schedule at this time. We apologize for the inconvenience

AFRTS Television Schedule

		MONDA	Y, SEPTEMBER 6, 2004		
	(AFN-EUROPE)	(AFN-KOREA)	(AFN-NEWS)	(AFN-SPORTS)	(AFN-PACIFIC)
9:00	Dr. Phil	DragonflyTV	The Beltway Boys	MLB Baseball Teams	DragonflyTV
9:30	1	Mary-Kate and Ashley	Fox News Watch	to Be Announced.	Kim Possible
10:00	Oprah Winfrey	Jeopardy!	Bulls and Bean		Jeopardy!
10:30	Guiding Light	Wheel of Fortune ESPNews	Cavuto on Business Fox Magazine		Headline News
11:00 11:30	General Hospital	Advisory Block	Fox Magazine		ESPNews Pacific Report
12:00	Headline News	60 Minutes II	Access Hollywood	SportsCenter	60 Minutes II
12:30	Judge Judy	1			
13:00	Today John Lithgow; Kelli Williams.	Cold Case "The Lost		Baseball Tonight	Cold Case "The Lost
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15:30	Digimon-Digital	The Tonight Show	Channel One	1	The Tonight Show
16:00	DragonflyTV	_	The Early Show	1	_
16:30	Kim Possible	Late Show	1		Late Show
17:00	Jeopardy! Headline News	Access Hollywood		SportsCenter	A
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22:00	Headline News	The Hot List	illaide Folitica	College Gameday	The Hot List
22:30	The Tonight Show	Headline News	Headline News	College Football	Headline News
23:00	1	Today John Lithgow; Kelli Williams.	Lester Holt	Teams to Be An-	Today John Lithgow; Kelli Williams.
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5:30	ESPNews	Judge Judy	Business Rpt.		Judge Judy
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9:00	Dr. Phil	Taina	Nightline	PGA Golf	Lizzie McGuire
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r-spaniel mix Benji checks out the scene outside the Plaza Hotel in New York. The film-star pooch was in town to promote her

Benji bounds back for Big Apple film

BY JOE NEUMAIER

New York Daily News

NEW YORK

he comes out of the Plaza Hotel, her hair billowing behind her, shaking her tail and licking the hands of her fans — just another starlet out for a stroll in Central Park. Except her name is Benji.

The fourth Benji, to be exact, a terrier-spaniel mix and star of "Benji: Off the Leash." which opened Friday. The latest hero-dog adventure from writer/director Joe Camp is the first since 1987's "Benji the Hunted."

In the park as kids and adults stop to say hello, the star (who's recovering from cataract surgery in her left eye) allows her fluffy, blown-dry fur to be patted.

Occasionally, an errant squirrel or miniature Doberman gets her attention, but then it's back to business: listening attentively, shaking a paw and raising those expressive eyebrows that are a Benji trademark

Back in the '60s, the first dog to play Benji - a canine thespian called Higgins, and the only one not named Benji

44 [Benji] has got to be pretty, think on her feet, be independent, have sparkle, and be smart - sort of like Miss America.

writer/director of 'Benji: Off the Leash'

found fame on TV's "Petticoat Junction." Higgins was recruited for the first "Benji" movie in 1974, after Camp, a former advertising executive and life-long dog lover, took inspiration from Disney's "Lady & the Tramp" and decided to make a family film from an animal's point of view. He named the main character after his and his late wife's

Camp approached Higgins' trainer, the late Frank Inn, and "Benji — released by Camp's own distribution com pany after every major studio passed on it - became one

of 1975's top 10 box-office hits "Even most trainers in Hollywood said it couldn't be

Camp says. "They said you couldn't have a dog so independent and confident that you could drop him into any situation and tell the story through his eyes."

At the end of '75, Higgins passed away at the age of 15, and Camp kept the dog's death secret so as not disturb kids. Higgins' daughter starred in 1977's "For the Love of Benji," as well as TV specials, 1980's Chevy Chase comedy

"Oh! Heavenly Dog" and "Benji the Hunted." When that Benji passed away in 1991, there was a third dog, a male — sort of the George Lazenby of Benjis — who

did book covers as the film series was leashed in litigation. This latest Benji, now 3, was found in a shelter in Mississippi and has adapted well to her new stardom - doing shelter benefits around the country and traveling first-class under Camp's seat to promote the movie.

The actor who plays Benii, says Camp, "has got to be pretty, think on her feet, be independent, have sparkle, and be smart - sort of like Miss America.

The secret of the films' success, says Camp, is that "they're all about struggle and not giving up. When you see that story, you bond with the character, whether it's human or canine."

New album to support Sudan refugees

A new album featuring exclusive tracks from Ash, R.E.M. and David Gray has been released to raise money for the hundreds of thousands of people who have been driven from their homes in Sudan's

Darfur region

agency said Friday.

Arab militias known as the Jan-

Badly Drawn Boy, Futureheads and Faithless also are featured on the 14-track album, "Songs for Sudan," being launched for Oxfam's Sudan appeal. "By buying this album you can help Oxfam save lives," a spokesman for the relief

iaweed are blamed for violence that has killed up to 30,000 people and forced more than 1.2 million to flee their homes in the large Darfur re-

All artists and record labels donating tracks to the album, which is based out of London, are forgoing their royalties. The album sells for \$14.32, of which \$8.96 will go directly to the appeal. The donation from each album sale could be used to provide 15 refugees with clean drinking water. Oxfam said

Peter Fonda gets Spirit of Montana Award

Actor, director and Montana resident Peter Fonda will receive the first Gary Cooper Spirit of Montana Award, according to the fledgling film festival giving out the award.

Jeff Bridges will present the award from the HatcH Audiovisual Arts Festival, scheduled for Sept. 9-12. Like Fonda, Bridges has a home in Montana's Paradise Valley. Penny Ronning, the festival's chairwoman, told the Liv-

ingston Enterprise the award honors Fonda's contribution to film and the arts and his ties to Montana.

Fonda said he was honored to receive an award named for Cooper, whom he knew through his father, Henry Fonda.

"He was a great Westerner - his bearing, everything about him," Fonda said of Cooper. "When I found out he was from Montana, I thought 'Well, that's why

Peter Fonda produced and costarred in the landmark film "Easy Rider.

Liotta to star as special guest on 'ER'

"ER" is taking a note from "24" by doing a real-time epi sode, and is bringing actor Ray Liotta along for the ride.

The episode, to air Nov. 11, will follow every moment of guest star Liotta's hospital visit. He plays an alcoholic ex-con with cirrhosis of the liver and a host of other problems.

The real-time narrative is a first for the NBC emergency room drama. "ER" has previously experimented with different structures, but the se-

ries' famous live broadcast in 1997 wasn't in real time

"In a way, this is the inverse of

that," co-producer David Zable said. Thursday. "We also have never tracked one patient the whole time through the

The trademark "ER" style is one of crosscutting and story lines that intertwine with each passing gurney. The editing allows "ER" to sometimes skip over the uglier or more mundane aspects of emergency room treatment.

Stories and Photos from The Associated Press



Horoscope

Venus transits into Leo, giving this Labor Day fabulous quality. In fact, if it's not fabulous, it's not happening Parties with flair are well attended, and parties with Joyce Jillson

out flair gather some as they go. There's an anything-can-happen feeling in the air. The Gemini moon augments the playful vibe. and not a soul will feel like going to work in the morn-

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (September 6). Satisfac

tion comes in many packages this year. This month. you'll notice that you're gaining an excellent reputation among respected peers. Next month, you get the money to do something you've always wanted to do. Political and aggressive career moves put you in a better position by November. Sagittarius and Cancer are lucky love signs.

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

As a warrior of the zodiac, one of your missions is to protect. Be the eves and ears for folks who aren't paying attention. If you get the sense something just isn't right, act on it! Your fancy footwork preserves someone's feelings

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

You'd love to see the perfection of the world, but your current improve ment plan is forcing you to look at the flaws. Your honesty will be your chief tool to becoming the absolute best. Recognize a bad habit, and you can change it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You show world who you really are - and the world is impressed. A

centered attitude is key to getting all you can out of the day. Family dynamics could hugely affect your mood. Give children lots to do today.

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

Sometimes, it is too easy to forget that everyone is human, with weak nesses and needs. Team building is your way to success. So spend plenty of time getting to know the people you're dealing with and letting them know you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're ambitious and driven to win. In your mind, many elements must come

together to make this day a success But in reality, your own self-assured style is the biggest factor determining the outcome of this day

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Blending work with fun is only possi-

ble when you truly love your work. If your work is currently bringing you nothing but dread, this is the perfect day to solve problems and face the enemy

within, so to speak. LIBRA (Sept.

23-0ct. 23). Communication is flowing, and discussions are helpful to all involved. A sacrifice you make for a child has immediate results that are quite amazing. If you change your own actions, others

follow your example. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

Self-discipline means keeping your mind on personal goals, even when sweet temptation calls this afternoon. Face a difficult situation head on. More support comes from a Cancer or Capricorn than from anvone else

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

21). If someone makes you feel bad, that person is probably bad for you. Being around people who believe in you and encourage you affects your attitude, which expands vour talent, which determines your productivity

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

19). You may feel you need to compete, but all you really need to do is be who you are. When you have a healthy sense of your own identity, you will begin to change the ways you create your own fulfillment and accomplishment.

AOUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).

Some people see things as they are. You're busy dreaming things that never were but possibly (or impossibly) could be. Keep that imagination fueled. Allow for input from everyone, even people you don't agree with.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Obligations and responsibilities that seem like a big deal really are not so bad. You may have 30 things to do, but chances are, each will only take

a few minutes. Stop thinking and jump in.

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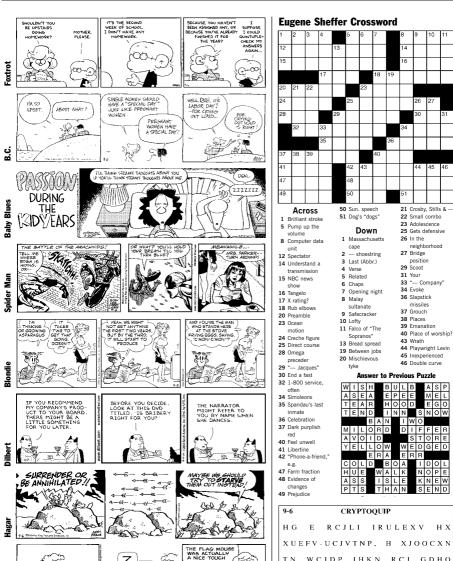


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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: O equals P

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Child needs responsible parent

60-year-old woman. My children are grown and I have four grand-children. I also have a godchild named "Noah," whom I adore. Noah's mother, "Fay," didn't

want him when he was born, but was talked out of giving him up by her mother and me. Her mother has since passed

Abby, I thought Fay would get over it, but she still doesn't want Noah. She blames him for taking her freedom away. The child is only 5 and adores his mother. No matter what she does, Noah loves her

Fay is abusive. She yells and screams at Noah, calls him stupid and other names, keeps him in his room most of the time

This is not a happy little boy He has so much anger in him at such an early age. Fay was abused by her mother like she's doing to her son. I have tried to get her help, but she says there's nothing wrong with her. How can I make Fay see that she's turning Noah into a monster? The father took off as soon as he found out Fay was pregnant. He has never seen his son. Please advise me.

 Out of Mv Mind in Texas Dear Out of My Mind: Since you are Noah's godmother and there is nobody else, it is now your turn to step up to the plate. You are re sponsible for the fact at this unfit mother didn't place her unwanted child for adoption at birth. You are only 60 you're not over the hill. Why don't YOU take

Noah in and give him the love and support he needs - and possibly psychological counseling to undo the damage that has been done?

Dear Abby: I recently learned that my twin sister, "Leslie," is pregnant. When I heard the news, I told her I wanted to throw her a baby shower. I

have two little ones of my own. and my twin hosted my baby shower when I was pregnant with my first. Leslie was excited and gave me a thumbs up.

Today I was told that an aunt on her husband's side wants to give her a shower and it sounds as if that's the way it's going to be. This aunt has always been bossy and pushy, and Leslie and her husband are afraid to refuse. I don't expect my twin to offend the other side of the family, but what about me? Am I being petty? My feelings are hurt

- Rejected Twin Dear Twin: Please stop feeling hurt. Rather than being bossy or pushy, the aunt may instead be a stickler for proper etiquette. According to "Emily Post's Eti quette" (16th Edition): "Mothers and sisters of the mother-to-be should not give a shower, although sisters-in-law, close friends, aunts or cousins may.

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Strip-club fondling affects marriage

Dear Annie: My husband returned after a year's deployment with the Army. We were so happy to have him back. However, in a casual conversation, he told me that he and his buddies had gone to a stripper bar while in the States. It was amateur night, and he knew one of the girls performing. He tried to 'help her relax" by strok ing several parts of her

body while she gyrated. He was thrown out of the bar for fondling the dancer. He thinks this story is hilarious.

I, of course, was less amused and have asked him to leave our home of 17 years until I can think things out. He swears he only touched her. I think he crossed a line and wonder if things would have progressed had he not been tossed out

Am I being too harsh? He swears this is the first time he has ever done anything like this, but I don't trust him. He touched another woman intimately, and if I let him get away with it, I suspect he

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Abby

not only will do it again, he might do more We have two daugh ters who are devastated that Daddy has moved out, and they think I'm crazy for showing him the door

— Skeptical Wife Dear Wife: Although we usually are inclined to cut our servicemen a little slack this is not one of those cases.

Your husband has no business stroking a semi-naked woman. The bad news is, he sees nothing wrong with his behavior.

The good news is, he told you Please don't throw away 17 years without first seeing a marriage counselor, who can help you work through the trust issues and explain to your husband why his actions were a betrayal.

Dear Annie: Every August, my wife and I go on a vacation with her relatives. We rent a house, and the cost is divided equally between the four couples. That's the problem, I think it should be divided by the total

number of people.
Unlike the other family members, we do not have children, so why should we pay the same rate? We also are forced to take these vacations in the summer, when prices are at their peak, because that's when the kids are out of

Should we bring this up with the other family members before next summer or suffer in silence?

— Tired of Being Overcharged

Dear Tired: Might as well bring it up, because you sound as if you are not willing to suffer in silence much longer. Family vacations can be wonderful, but yours sounds like a recipe for trouble. Discuss it with your wife, and then ask the relatives about a more equitable payment plan. Otherwise, consider vacationing alone, before you become so resentful that you throw in the beach towel altogether.

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"Why are they singing 'Take Me Out to the Ballgame'? They're already there.'

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Rafael Nadal and Tommy Robredo, Spain, def. Jordan Kerr, Australia, and Jim Thomas, def. Jordan Kerr, Australia, and Jim Homas, United States, 7-6 (5), 7-5. Julien Benneteau and Nicolas Mahut, France. def. Bob and Mike Bryan (2), United

Women First Round

Virginia Ruano Pascual, Spain, and Paola Suarez (1), Argentina, def. Daniela Hantucho-va, Slovakia, and Dinara Safina, Russia, 6-3,

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Pro football

NFL schedule

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Auto racing

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Saturday
At California Speedway
Fontana, Calif.
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2, (1) Casey Mears, Dodge, 150, 561,550.
3, (23) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 150, 562,580.

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4. (3) Kasey Kahne, Dodge, 150, \$33,570.
5. (20) Jamie McMurray, Dodge, 150, \$23,350.
6. (2) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 150, \$35,720.
5. (22) Bobby Labonte, Chevrolet, 150, \$32,600. 8. (5) Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 150,

\$25,140. 9. (4) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, 150, \$38,030. 10. (11) Jason Leffler, Chevrolet, 150, \$38,220, 11. (17) Mike McLaughlin, Ford, 150. \$30,260. 30,260. 12. (9) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 150, \$22,375. 13. (6) Kenny Wallace, Chevrolet, 150. \$27,520. \$27,520. \$1,300 Michael Waltrip, Chevrolet, 150, \$21,330.

(8) David Green, Pontiac, 150, \$33,420. (7) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, 149, \$26,185. (25) Johnny Sauter, Chevrolet, 149, 17. (25) Johnson Salest, 19. (27) Mike Wallace, Ford, 149, \$31,290. 19. (27) Tony Raines, Chevrolet, 149, \$27,180. 20. (29) Wally Dallenbach, Ford, 149, 23, 230. 20. (29) Wally Dallerbach, Ford, 149, \$21,220. 21. (19) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 149, \$22,280.

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22, (21) Jason Keller, Ford, 149, \$29,670. 23. (28) Ashton Lewis Jr., Chevrolet, 149. \$24,365.

Monday's games
No games scheduled
Tuesday's game
Sacramento at Washington . (31) Stacy Compton, Ford, 149, \$23,925.

25. (30) Robert Pressley, Ford, 148, \$23,915. 26. (15) Casey Atwood, Chevrolet, 148. \$23,705. 27. (18) Tim Fedewa, Chevrolet, 148, \$23,570. 28. (16) Justin Labonte, Dodge, 148, \$19,415. 29. (13) Ron Hornaday Jr., Chevrolet, 146,

29. (13) Ron Hornaday Jr., Chevrolet, 146, 30. (32) Kevin Lepage, Chevrolet, 146, 21 205 x. (37) Gus Wasson, Chevrolet, 146. 28,605. 32. (38) Derrike Cope, Ford, 145, \$22,995. 33. (41) Bruce Bechtel, Ford, 138, \$20,865 34. (43) Shane Hall, Chevrolet, 137, elect

po. (%4) Stanton Barrett, Dodge, 31, over-heating, \$20,495. 39. (35) Stan Boyd, Chevrolet, 10, brakes, \$18,440.

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Winner's average speed: 147,844 mph.

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M.Truex Jr. 139; G.Biffle 140-142; C.Mears 143; G.Biffle 144-146; C.Mears 147; G.Biffle 148-150. 148-150. Annual Commers 147; G.Biffle Series driver standings: 1, M.Truux, 7,789; 2, K.Busch, 3,694; 3, J.Leffler, 3,341; 4, G.Biffle, 3,305; 5, D.Green, 3,211; 6, J.Keller, 3,173; 7, R.Hornaday Jr., 3,136; 8, M.Bliss, 2,944; 9, B.Hamilton Jr., 2,896; 10, K.Wallace, 2,794.

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Billy Mayfair
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Kent Jones
Todd Fischer
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European Masters Sunday At Crans-sur-Sierre Golf Club Course Crans-sur-Sierre, Switzerland

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Andrew Marshall, England
Bradley Dredge, Wales
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State Farm Classic

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At Pebble Beach, Calif.
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Deals

Saturday's transactions

BASEBALL
American League
ANGELS—Activated LHP Jarrod
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Red Sox streak broken at 10; O's Ponson shuts out Yankees

ROSTON - The Boston Red Sox lost for the first time in 11 games, falling to the Texas Rangers 8-6 Saturday and missing a chance to pull within 1½ games of the New York Yankees in the American League East.

Michael Young hit a three-run homer off Tim Wakefield (11-8), and Rod Barajas went 3-for-4 with a two-run shot to help Texas snap a five-game losing streak.



The Sox, who had wor 10 straight and 16 of 17 to climb from 1.01/2 games back in the AL

East, remained 21/2 games behind the division-leading Yankees.

"I couldn't let that stuff affect me," Young said of Boston's run. "If you get wrapped up in that stuff, you're done before you start

New York lost to Baltimore 7-0, and had the Red Sox won, they could have pulled within 1½ games for the first time since June 2, when they began the day one game back.

Texas pulled within six games the Red Sox in the AL wild-card race.

Mark Bellhorn hit his second career grand slam and David Ortiz added a solo shot for Boston, which rallied from an 8-1 deficit with a five-run seventh.

Chris Young (1-1) held Boston to two hits and one run over 52/3 innings for his first major league

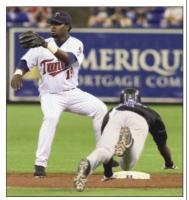
"We scored some runs and Chris was outstanding." Texas manager Buck Showalter said.

Orioles 7. Yankees 0: Sidney Ponson nitched a two-hitter for his fourth career shutout, and Rafael Palmeiro hit one of the Oriole's three homers as visiting Baltimore trounced New York.

Ponson (10-13) struck out four and walked one in his 27th career complete game and fifth this season. He faced just 29 hitters, two more than the minimum, and did not allow a runner past first base.

Jay Gibbons and Brian Roberts also connected for the Orioles, who scored four against Mariano Rivera in the ninth. Baltimore has won six in a row following a 12-game losing streak.

Mike Mussina (9-9) allowed



Kansas City Royals' Angel Berroa, right, steals second base as Minnesota Twins shortstop Cristian Guzman, left, waits for the throw Saturday in Minneapolis. The AL Central-leading Twins beat the Royals 4-3.

just two runs in seven innings for the Yankees

Athletics 9. Blue Javs 5: Oakland scored twice on wild pitches to tie it and Eric Byrnes provided insurance with a three-run double in the ninth inning as Oakland von at Toronto for its 16th victory in 18 games.

Oakland pulled within 5-4 in the eighth on a wild pitch from Vinnie Chulk, then tied it in the ninth on another miscue by Jason Frasor, Mark McLemore put the A's ahead with a sacrifice fly before Byrnes' big hit.

Chris Hammond (4-1) pitched two innings in relief of Mark Mulder for the win

Twins 4, Royals 3: Terry Tiffee led off the bottom of the ninth with his first major league home run as Minnesota heat Kansas City for its fifth straight victory.

Tiffee went 3-for-4 and is hit-ting .462 since arriving in Minnesota on Sept. 1.

Justin Morneau put the Twins up early with a three-run shot in the first

J.C. Romero (6-1) extended his team-record scoreless streak to 332/3 innings. Dennys Reyes (3-8) took the loss

Angels 6, Indians 1: Jarrod Washburn returned from the dis-abled list and won for the first time since July 15 as visiting Anaheim downed Cleveland.

Washburn (11-5), sidelined since July 20 with an injured rib cage, allowed two hits in five innings to help the Angels remain four games behind Oakland in the AL West and move within 31/2 games of Boston in the wild-card

Beginning in the third inning, unidentified flying objects - they appeared to be gnats - infested the playing field and the lower tier of seats

Between pitches, batters swatted at the insects and fans used whatever they could to keep the winged critters out of their faces Angels DH Troy Glaus had to

be attended by a trainer after one of them flew in his eve during an at-hat in the fifth inning

San Francisco Giants' Dustan Mohr scores on a hit by Deivi Cruz during the eighth inning in San Francisco on Saturday. The Giants rallied from a 7-1 deficit to beat the Arizona Diamondbacks 9-7.

Edmonds clubs No. 300 as Cards down Dodgers

ST. LOUIS - Shortly after hitting his 300th career home run. Jim Edmonds got put in his place. Former teammate Mark McG-

wire left a taunting message on Edmonds' cell phone, reminding him just how far he is from Big Mac's 583.

"I can't remember the number he said, but I've got a long way to Edmonds said after the St. Louis Cardinals' 5-1 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers on Satur-day night. "And I don't think I'm going to make it.

Jason Marquis won his 11th straight decision and the Cardinals won their eighth in a row. matching their season high

The NL Central leaders needed only two hits — tying their season low - to heat the NI. West-leading Dodgers for the second straight night. Playing in front of a sellout crowd of 45,692, they tied their longest winning streak of the season and won for the 13th time in 15 games

Adrian Beltre had three hits and drove in his 100th run with an eighth-inning double for the Dodgers to cut the gap to 5-1 He's only the third third baseman in franchise history to reach the milestone, joining Ron Cey and Pedro Guerrero.

Edmonds became the 103rd member of the 300-homer club with a two-run shot in the second off Kazuhisa Ishii (13-7).

Giants 9, Diamondbacks 7: Dustan Mohr doubled in the tying run in the eighth and Deivi Cruz followed with a go-ahead two-run single as San Francisco came back from a 7-1 deficit to beat the visiting Diamondbacks for the seventh straight time.

Marquis Grissom hit a grand and also started the eighth-inning rally with a single. The Giants pulled within a half-game of the idle Chicago Cubs in the National League wild-card race. The Cubs had their weekend series at Florida

postponed because of Hurricane Frances Barry Bonds went 2-for-3 with a double and a walk. Scott Eyre (1-2) pitched the

eighth for the win and Dustin Hermanson finished for his ninth

Astros 6, Pirates 5: Mike Lamb hit a go-ahead RBI double in the seventh inning as Houston Roundup

extended its season-high winning streak to eight games.

Houston has won 10 of its last 12 games, and 16 of its last 19 to move two games behind idle Chicago in the NL wild-card race.

Chad Qualls (3-0) threw one inning of relief for the win. Brad Lidge pitched the ninth for his 20th save in 23 opportunities.

Jason Bay and Jack Wilson each homered for visiting Pittsburgh, which has lost 13 of its last 18 and was mathematically eliminated from the NL Central Divi-

Braves 9, Expos 0: Russ Ortiz pitched a three-hit shutout at Olympic Stadium and Andruw Jones hit a grand slam to help the Atlanta blank Montreal and win its fifth straight game.

Ortiz (14-7) retired the first 15 batters before Einar Diaz lined a clean single to right-center to lead off the sixth.

The Braves have won 11 of 12. and are 35-12 since the All-Star

Phillies 7. Mets 0: Corv Lidle threw a three-hitter for his second straight shutout as Philadelphia extended visiting New York's losing streak to eight games.

Lidle is the first Philadelphia pitcher to toss consecutive shutouts since Curt Schilling in 1992

Jimmy Rollins hit a three-run omer and Jason Michaels homer scored twice for the Phillies, who are 8-13 since Aug. 12 - with all of their wins against last-place Milwaukee and the Mets.

Brewers 7, Reds 3: Russell Branvan and Keith Ginter each hit three run homers and rookie Ben Hendrickson earned his first major league victory as Milwau-kee downed Cincinnati at Miller

Hendrickson (1-6) pitched six solid innings to avoid being the first pitcher in 25 years to lose in each of his first seven major league games.

Rockies 8, Padres 2: Shawn Estes pitched seven solid innings and had two hits, and J.D. Closser hit his first major league homer as Colorado won at San Diego.

Estes (14-6) allowed two runs and four hits, matching the single-season team record for wins by a left-hander, first set by Mike Hampton in 2001.

Ichiro picks up pace with 5-for-5 night

CHICAGO - Teams have no idea how to pitch to

Ichiro Suzuki these days. "He's got everybody in the other dugout shaking

their heads," Seattle manager Bob Melvin said. "It's almost laughable." Suzuki went 5-for-5, but Paul Konerko hit two

home runs and Mark Buehrle pitched seven strong innings to lead the Chicago White Sox to an 8-7 victory over the Mariners on Saturday night.

Suzuki leads the majors with 223 hits, 34 short of the all-time single-season record. He has 27 games remaining to reach the record of 257 hits, set by George Sisler in 1920 with the St. Louis Browns.

"You pitch the guy wide, inside, up or down and it doesn't matter," said Buehrle, who allowed four of Suzuki's five singles "He didn't hit the ball hard — it barely got out of

the infield — and he's still 5-for-5. Suzuki has had five or more hits in a game three

times - all this season. He has two or more hits in six of his last seven games. Buehrle (13-8), who left after seven innings with

an 8-3 lead, even lobbed an eephus pitch to start Suzuki's seventh-inning at-bat. "In Japan, I saw that a lot," Suzuki said through a

anslator. "But here, it's probably the first time." Seattle starter Ryan Franklin (3-14) suffered his 10th straight loss.

Major League Baseball scoreboard

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nesota 7. 2B—Berroa (22), Stairs (15), Picker- ing (1), DBrown 2 (6), Kubel (1), HR—Mor- neau (17), Tiffee (1), SB—Berroa (11), S—Bor- ders.	Anaheim 000 210 021-6	(Eaton 9-12) Tuesday's games N.Y. Mets at Floridad Milwaukee at Pittsburgh Philadelphia at Atlanta Montreal at Chicago Cubs Cincinnati at Houston San Francisco at Colorado St. Louis at San Diego Arizona at Los Angeles	Milwaukee Hndrck W,1-6 6 7 2 2 3 7 Kleschnick 1 1 0 0 0 1 LVizcaino 1 0 0 0 0 1	Miles 2b 5 1 2 1 KGreen ss 2 0 0 1 Clayton ss 5 0 0 0 Loretta 2b 4 0 0 0 Edition 1b 3 2 1 1 BGiles 7f 4 0 0 0 Castilla 3b 3 0 0 0 Nevin 1b 4 0 0 0 Lucraj 3b 0 0 0 0 Aurilla 3b 4 0 1 0
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T-2:35. A-48,963 (57,478).	E-wirit (4), Ulivo (5), Bloomquist (9), RFranklin (3), Uribe (10), DP-Chicago 2, LOB-Seattle 7, Chicago 10, 2B-Bloomquist (0), TBorry (10), Uribo 2 (24), UR	San Francisco 6. 2B-Hillenbrand 2 (26), DBautista (23), Brito (6), Mohr (18), Bonds (25), Durham (19), HR—Terrero (3). Grissom		ADamiroz ChC 117 442 92 141 219
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· STARS AND STRIPES ·

Yankees' Brown out minimum of three weeks

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Yankees pitcher Kevin Brown will miss at least three weeks - and possibly the rest of the season — after break-ing his left hand when he punched a wall in the clubhouse. Brown was examined Saturday



cian Dr. Stuart Hershon and hand spe-cialist Dr. Melvin Rosen wasser. The pitcher was

scheduled to have surgery Sunday to insert a pin into his hand. 'We're hopeful we can get him back in a few weeks," manage Joe Torre said. "A lot of it will de manager pend on the healing and the comfort. We don't worry about the comfort too much. I think Brownie was hoping he could just tape it un and go. That's not what's going to happen.

Frustrated by an injury-filled season, Brown made it much worse Friday night when he broke two bones in his non-pitch-ing hand by punching a club-house wall during the sixth inning of New York's 3-1 loss to the Baltimore Orioles

That was the end of his outing. One of the fractures extends into his wrist, requiring the pin.

Now the best-case scenario for Brown (10-4) and the Yankees is that he misses three weeks -though he could be done for the vear

Wagner activated from DL

PHILADELPHIA — Reliever Billy Wagner was activated by the Philadelphia Phillies on Saturday after missing more than a month with a strained left rotator

Wagner, a major offseason acquisition for the Phillies, has 16 saves in 18 chances this season. He is 3-0 with a 3.12 ERA and 46 strikeouts in 342/3 innings spanning 31 appearances.

Wagner was placed on the DL on July 30. He also was on the DL for more than three weeks earlier this season because of a strained

A's Dve has fractured thumb

TORONTO - Oakland Athletics right fielder Jermaine Dye missed Saturday's game because of a fractured left thumb and isn't expected to be back in the lineur for some time

Dye left Friday's game in the sixth inning because of soreness. He also missed the previous three games and has been bothered by it for about a month. He broke it while diving for a ball in early August.

Padres retire Gwynn's No. 19

SAN DIEGO - The San Diego Padres retired former All-Star outfielder Tony Gwynn's jersey No. 19 before their game against the Colorado Rockies on Saturday night.

tied the National Gwynn League record with eight batting championships during his 20-year career — all with the Padres.



De La Salle running back Dustin Watson (20) is tackled by Bellevue linebacker E.J. Savannah during Bellevue's 39-20 win Saturday in Seattle. It was De La Salle's first loss since Dec. 7, 1991.

Calif. H.S. team beaten after 151 wins in a row

SEATTLE - A California football team's 151-game winning streak, the nation's longest, ended Saturday when Bellevue High School beat De La Salle High of Concord, Calif., 39-20 before a crowd of 24,987 at Qwest Field.

De La Salle had not lost a game since falling in the 1991 North Coast Section championship game Dec. 7, 1991, when the current seniors on the team were in

The De La Salle Spartans broke the nation's previous longest winning streak at 72 games in 1997, going on to more than double it.

Coach Bob Ladouceur, who now has a 287-15-1 record in a quarter century at the suburban San Francisco school, was gracious in defeat, and said it was just time for De La Salle to finally

"I'm all for there being a lot of king of the hills, not just one," he said. "Bellevue represented their state well."

The streak — the longest in per haps any sport — created a near-cult following for Ladouceur. The program at the private, all-boys school has inspired two books, a documentary and national telecasts of games, and last month earned the Spartans a seven-page spread in Sports Illus-

Report: Dolphins trying to recover millions from Williams

MIAMI - The Miami Dolphins have filed a grievance against Ricky Williams, asking an arbitrator to uphold their contractual right to recover \$8.6 million paid to the retired running back between signing bonus and incentives, the Miami Herald reported on its Web site Saturday

NFL Players' Association attorney Richard Berthelsen told the newspaper that the Dolphins asked that the hearing be expedited so the case can proceed within the next few weeks.

The Herald reported last week that Williams called the team, tell-

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ing them he would come back if he received a new contract. The Dolphins declined that request.

Spinks retains undisputed title

LAS VEGAS — Cory Spinks easily retained his undisputed welterweight championship Saturday night, unanimously outpointing Miguel Angel Gonzalez at Mandalay Bay.

Spinks (34-2) won 10 of the 12 rounds on all three judges cards in a dominant performance

A former 140-pound champion, Gonzalez (49-4-1) pressed the action but could not answer Spinks' footspeed

Olympic silver medalist charged in boyfriend's death

BRUSH. Colo. — Olympic wrestling silver medalist Sara Mc-Mann has been charged with careless driving causing death following a crash that killed her boyfriend, the Colorado State Patrol said Saturday

Steven Blackford, three-time NCAA All-American wrestler at Arizona State, died Friday when the Jeep they were in rolled off the shoulder of Interstate 76 in northeastern Colorado police said.

Both were thrown from the vehicle. Blackford and McMann, who was driving, were not wearing seat belts

McMann, 23, won silver at the Athens Olympics in the 1381/2-pound class before losing the championship match to training partner Kaori Icho of Japan.

Crew keep unbeaten run alive

COLUMBUS. Ohio - Ross Paule had a hat trick, and the Columbus Crew extended their team-record unheaten streak to 11 games Saturday night with a 3-1 victory over the Los Angeles

The Crew are 4-0-7 since June

Singh, Woods locked in struggle for No. 1

NORTON. Mass. ond-ranked Vijay Singh shot an 8-under 63 on Saturday to take a two-stroke lead over top-ranked Tiger Woods, Billy Haas and John Rollins after the second round of the Deutsche Bank Championship.

With an eagle on the first hole sparking the best round of the tournament, Singh took the lead from Woods with back-to-back birdies on Nos. 12-13 and moved into position to take Woods' No. 1 ranking, too.

"It's not going to affect me one way or another if I overtake him, said Singh, who has already won five times this year, including the PGA Championship. "Yeah, if I win this tournament, I'll be No. 1. Fine. But what would that change for me? I'm going to go out there next week and do it all over

Woods, who shot a 68, has held the No. 1 ranking for a record 264 consecutive weeks. Singh would take it over if he finishes higher than Woods or, if Woods finishes lower than a tie for seventh. Singh would come out of the weekend No. 1 no matter what Haas had a 64, and Rollins shot

Donald fires final-round 66 to win European Masters

CRANS-SUR-SIERRE, Switzerland — European Ryder Cup player Luke Donald shot 5-under-par 66 Sunday to win the European Masters by five strokes for his second European tour vic-

Donald, an Englishman who won the Scandinavian Masters six weeks ago, eagled the opening hole and finished at 19-under 265.



Third-round leader Miguel Angel Jimenez of Spain closed with a 72 and was runner-up at

Sergio Garcia of Spain shot a 73 and shared third place with Rob-ert Coles of England and two-time champion Eduardo Romero of Argentina.

Kerr builds State Farm lead

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. - Cristie Kerr shot her second straight 9-under 63 to take a four-stroke lead into the final round of the State Farm Classic.

Kerr, seeking her third victory of the year and fourth in eight full seasons on the LPGA Tour, had a 21-under 195 total on the Rail Golf Course — the best 54-hole score on the tour this season. She also moved into position to threat-en the 72-hole mark of 27 under set by Annika Sorenstam in the 2001 Standard Register PING. Christina Kim, who took a

four-stroke lead into the round, shot a 71 to finish four strokes back at 17 under.

Stadler looking for back-to-back senior wins

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. Craig Stadler moved into position for his second straight victory. shooting a 9-under 63 to take a one-stroke lead over Jay Haas after the second round of the inaugural First Tee Open.

Stadler, who won the Tradition last week in Oregon for his third Champions Tour victory, had two eagles, six birdies and a bogey at Pebble Beach. He had a 9-under 135 total after opening with a 72 on Friday on the Bayonet course.

Canada 3-0 in pool play in World Cup of Hockey

TORONTO - Martin Brodeur

made 27 saves, and Brad Richards, Kris Draper and Joe Sakic scored goals to help Canada beat Russia 3-1 on Saturday night in the World Cup of Hockey, giving the Canadians a 3-0 record in round-robin play.

Canada will play the last-place team in the North American pool in the quarterfinals on Wednesday night in Toronto.

Richards opened the scoring with a short-handed goal early in the second period, and Draper made it 2-0 just 1:37 later. Sakic scored early in the third period, and Russia's Sergei Gonchar completed the scoring midway through the period.

"We did what we have to do, Draper said. "We're 3-0, but we have to realize that we need to get better. It's do or die from here.

Russia (1-1) will complete play in the four-team pool Sunday night in Toronto against Slovakia (0-2). The United States (1-2) finished pool play Friday night with a 3-1 victory over Slovakia in St. Paul, Minn.

Brodeur stopped Alexander Frolov in alone on a two-on-one in the second period and twice thwarted Alexei Yashin coming out of the corner on a third-period

"It was a special game because I never played against an all-Rus-sian team and I was a little nervous about it," said Brodeur, a three-time Stanley Cup champion with the New Jersey Devils and the No. 1 goalie in Canada's 2002 Olympic triumph.

Earlier Saturday, Finland won the European pool with a 4-4 tie against Sweden.

The Nordic rivals both finished unbeaten with five points, but the Finns won the pool on goal differential.

Sweden's Tomas Holmstrom scored a power-play goal with just 11 seconds left in regulation, and neither team could get a goal in the five-minute overtime peri-

Wimbledon champ Sharapova ousted from U.S. Open

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Maria Sharapova and her father often trade glances between points. In the stands, Dad pounds his fist on his chest, and she mimics the signal.

It represents a simple message "Play with heart!" Wimbledon champion didn't use the gesture during a 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 upset loss to Mary Pierce in the U.S. Open's third round Saturday.

Instead, right over her heart and just below her sponsor's logo, Sharanova's silver dress carried a plain black ribbon. She wore it in memory of the more than 340 people, nearly half children, killed in a hostage-taking at a school in her native Russia.

"I lost today, but I still have to move on. It's not the end of the world," said Sharapova, who double-faulted 14 times and dropped lot more important things in the world going on right now

Given her almost perfect English, her all-grown-up strokes. and her poise on and off the court, it's easy to forget that Sharapova

is just 17 and was born in Siberia. If she hadn't flashed the tennis ability that prompted a move to Florida a decade ago, Sharapova might very well be just another teen readjusting to high school life this week, half a world away.

"The first of September is when so many kids go to school, the first day back. They go in with flowers and the whole family, she said. "Unfortunately, the terrorists decided to do something bad with those families and kids. It just shows that my loss is a little

As far as tennis goes, though, her exit was the day's most signifi-

cant development, more surprising than No. 3 Carlos Moya's 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-7 (5), 7-5 collapse against 100th-ranked Oliver Rochus of Belgium, at 5-foot-5 the

shortest ATP Tour regular. Otherwise, the top players advanced in straight sets, including Justine Henin-Hardenne, Lindsay Davenport, Venus Williams, Roger Federer, Andre Agassi and

In early women's play on Sunday, Serena Williams defeated Switzerland's Patty Schnyder 6-4,

Agassi's next opponent will be Sargis Sargsian, who erased a two-set deficit and saved two match points to beat Paul-Henri Mathieu 4-6, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 7-6 (4) in 4 hours, 41 minutes, Add in his second-round upset of No. 10 Nicolas Massu - at 5:09, the second-longest match in tournament history — and Sargsian broke the Open matches.

"I don't know how I did it." said Sargsian, an Armenian ranked 54th who has only once before advanced this far in a major.

Rochus, often mistaken by security guards for a ball boy or a junior player, entered the tournament with a 76-101 career mark and an 0-4 Open record. That last fact prompted Mova to ask incredulously, "He never won?"

Now Rochus is one victory shy of .500 in New York. The Belgian knocked off No. 27 Mario Ancic, a Wimbledon semifinalist, in the first round, and can reach his first Grand Slam quarterfinal by beating No. 22 Dominik Hrbaty.

"That's why you don't underestimate anybody," said Agassi, a 6-4. 6-2. 6-3 winner over No. 25 Jiri Novak.

Moya won the 1998 French Open, but he's been a quarterfimajors, and he was largely his own undoing Saturday. He made unforced errors, and double-faulted on match point.

Henin-Hardenne beat Lisa Raymond 6-4, 6-3, Davenport got past No. 26 Elena Bovina 7-6 (7), 6-2 and Williams defeated No. 20 Chanda Rubin 7-6 (4), 6-3 at

This is one of the first times in a year that I've felt normal on the court. It's been so challenging, said 2000-01 Open champ Will-iams, who missed the 2003 tournament with an abdominal strain.

"Today is the first day that I started to feel like I did before I was injured."

No. 5 Henman outlasted Czech

No. 5 Henman outlasted Czech qualifier Michal Tabara 4-6, 6-3, 5-7, 6-4, 6-3, while Federer's 6-0, 6-4, 7-6 (7) victory over No. 31 Fabrice Santoro put him in the round of 16 for the fourth straight





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Spangdahlem wins slugfest, Army-Air Force men's title

BY KENT HARRIS

Stars and Stripes

AVIANO AIR BASE, Italy -The jets weren't flying, but the softballs sure were.

Spangdahlem and Aviano, the Air Force's two F-16 fighter bases in Europe, spent more than four hours launching less lethal projectiles at each other Sunday. When the dust cleared off the red clay infield, the Sabers came out on top to claim the 2004 Army-Air Force Softball Championship.

"We're getting a good rivalry with them." Spangdahlem coach Chris Heffner said after watching his team prevail 26-24 in eight innings. "It's a good rivalry. But it's a friendly rivalry

Ramstein rolled by Heidelberg 14-5 in the women's title game.

Aviano fell to Spangdahlem 14-13 Saturday, but came back through the loser's bracket and forced a second game Sunday by beating Spangdahlem 18-12 in the first game.

The Dragons appeared to carrry momentum into the second game and led 19-14 after five innings. But Pat Boot's three-run homer in the sixth brought Spangdahlem closer, and a run in the ton of the seventh tied it

Aviano, needing just a run in the bottom half to win it, couldn't squeeze one across Snangdahlem left the field fired up.

"It turned the tide for them," Aviano coach Ed Michaud said.

The Sabers scored seven times in the eighth, keyed by two-run homers from Ben Ernst and Arturo Tejada and two Aviano er-The Dragons came right back

in the bottom half as the first five batters reached base and scored. But with a runner on second Spangdahlem pitcher Clifford Gonzalez coaxed three straight flies to the outfield to end it.

"We just fell a little short to them again," said Michaud, whose team lost to Spangdahlem 21-17 for the Air Force title three days earlier.

Ernst, Bo Brewer and Mike Kliss each had four of Spangdahlm's 29 hits, with Gonzalez, A.J. Oldfeather, Tejada and Boot driving in three runs each

Ryan Feltz had five hits for Aviano, with Chad Ward and Luis driving in four runs

In the opener, Jason Mathias had three home runs among five hits and drove in six runs for Aviano, with Feltz adding two home runs and two singles. Brewer and Dale Wright had three hits each for the Sahers

The Lady Rams won their second straight title in convincing fashion, narrowly missing a mercy-rule victory after five in-

Coach Keith Baber's team doesn't need much assistance to score runs. But Heidelberg helped out, committing a series of costly errors as Ramstein scored early and often. Seven hits and five errors gave the Rams a 10-0 lead after two innings.
"We just didn't play up to our

abilities," Heidelberg coach Darryl Leonard said. "We picked the worst time to play our worst game of the tournament. 'But they're a great team. You

can't take anything away from Nessa Burnett's two-run single

in the first got things started. Eboni Howard did much of the damage after that, driving in four runs with a double and two singles. Sherrie Mabry drove in three more

"I'm really proud of this team," Baber said. "We just had a phenomenal year.

Tiffany Collins and Mary Espi-nal had two hits each for Heidelberg, which had to come all the back through the loser's bracket to reach the final game after losing a close game to Ramstein to open the tournament. E-mail Kent Harris at:

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U.S. men's soccer team defeats El Salvador

FOXBORO, Mass. - Brian Ching got another big goal, and the United States received the gift of jewelry.

Ching scored just five minutes in on the Americans' first shot, and El Salvador was forced to play a man short after a defender was ejected midway through the first half for wearing a gold chain.

Landon Donovan went on score a second-half goal, and the United States won 2-0 Saturday to move into good position to advance to the regional finals of qualifying for the 2006 World

"I think it's terrible," U.S. cap-tain Claudio Reyna said of the ejection. "It's a bad call. It's a shame. They should have given him a warning.

Denis Alas, a 19-year-old El Salvador player, was given a yellow card in the eighth minute for a rough tackle on Bobby Convey. U.S. players then pointed out to the officials that Alas was wearing a chain, and referee Neal Brizan of Trinidad and Tobago assessed a second yellow in the 26th minute - resulting in a red card and an automatic ejection.

College football scoreboard

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Saturday's summaries No. 2 Oklahoma 40. **Bowling Green 24**

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failed), 8:30.

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BG—Sharon 16 pass from Jacobs (Suisham kick), 14:54.
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Third Quarter
LSU—Green 16 pass from Russell (Jackson klck),541.
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No. 7 Texas 65, North Texas 0 North Texas

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Tex—Benson 38 run (Mangum kick), 12:49.
Tex—FG Mangum 37, 943.
Tex—S. Young 16 run (Mangum kick), 4:21.
Tex—Matthews 2 run (Mangum kick), 59.
Second Quarter

ex-Matthews 2 run (Mangum kick), 421.

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Tex-Benson 1 run (Mangum kick), 530.
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INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS					

Rushing-North Texas, Moore 9-27, Byerly 3-8, Hall 3-6, Cobbs 8-(minus 1), Thomas 2-(minus 1), Nevins 1-(minus 1), Texas, Ben-son 15-181, S.Young 12-102, Taylor 4-96, V.Young 8-49, Nordgren 4-38, Hobbs 7-19, Matthews 4-19, Jones 1-4, Hardy 3-4, Hall 1-1,

Passing—North Texas, Hall 8-17-0-78, Byer ly 2-6-0-14. Texas, V.Young 14-21-0-153, Nor ly 2-6-0-14. Texas, V.Young 14-21-0-153, Nor dgren 1-1-0-7. Receiving—North Texas, Blount 4-40 Mitchell 2-25, Covington 1-8, Muzzy 1-5, Nev ins 1-3, Quinn 1-2. Texas, S.Young 3-32, Jeffery 3-23, Thomas 2-48, Scalife 2-16, Mat thews 2-13, Carter 1-16, Sweed 1-10, Bensor 1-2.

No. 8 Michigan 43. Miami (Ohio) 10

Miami, Ohio 0 0 3 7–10
Michigan Second Quarter
UM—FG Rivas 31, 6:53.
UM—Underwood Ir run (Rivas kick), 4:48.
Third Quarter
UM—Underwood Ir un (Rivas kick), 12:25.
UM—Edwards 20 pass from Henne (Rivas kick), 6:46.

ow-Edwards 20 pass from Henne (Rivas kick), 6:47. MO-FG Parseghlan 36, 0:6 Fourth Quater NO-Shath 1 run (Soderquist kick), 12:38. UM-Shazor 88 interception return (kick lailed), 9:01. UM-Edwards 13, 200-6.

ailed), 9:01. UM—Edwards 13 pass from Henne (kick ailed), 7:22. UM—Jackson 1 run (Rivas kick), 6:16.

A-110,815.	Miami	Mich
First downs	13	14
Rushes-vards	25-33	40-115
Passing	217	159
Comp-Att-Int		16-28-1
Return Yards	298	275
Punts-Avg.	5-45	6-45
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties-Yards	7-46	1-10
Time of Possession	27:56	32:04

Rushing - Manni, Ohio, Clemens 13-32. Betts 5-6, Kokal 2-1, Smith 4-0, Robinson 1-(minus 6), Michigan, Underwood 22-61, Jackson 7-25, Hart 3-20, Rembert 1-9, Dudley 1-7, Bradley 1-0, Edwards 1-(minus 1), Henné -(minus 6)

4-(minus 5).

**Passing-Mami, Ohio, Betts 18-36-4-201, Kokal 1-4-1-16. Michigan, Henne 14-24-1-142, Richard 24-0-1, Miami, Ohio, Mance 5-63, Larkin 4-45, Robinson 3-43, Corbin 2-27, Clemens 2-13, Williams 1-23, Tyler 1-2, Smith 1-1. Michigan, Edwards 5-91, Breaston 4-33, Massaquol 2-19, Avant 1-11, Underwood 1-8, Hart 1-(minus 1), Rembert 1-(minus 2).

No. 9 Ohio St. 27, Cinn. 6 0 3 3 0 - 6

Second Quarter Cin—FG Lovell 27, 14:54. OSU—FG Nugent 27, 10:15. OSU—Hamby 17 pass from 2 kick), 1:11.

anol, I:II. Third Quarter
Cin-FG Lovell 75, 613, 614
OSU-LRoss 1 run (Nugent kick), 2:27.
OSU-LRoss 1 run (Nugent kick), 2:27.
OSU-Houses 23 pass from T.Smith (Nu-DSU-FGN Nugent 23, 1:51.
A-10,604

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waning—Cincinnati, E.Hall 14-40, D.Jones 51, Erzor 1-13, Guldugil 2-4, Benton 3-3, 1-56, M.Hall 7-14, T.Smith 5-7, Parker 1-3, 1-66, M.Hall 7-14, T.Smith 5-7, Parker 1-3, Team 2-(minus 3), Zwick 4-(minus 3), Passing—Cincinnati, Guldugil 17-36-0-162, Daniels 6-1-6-0, Ohlo St., Zwick 14-26-2-213, T.Smith 2-3-0-29.

T.Smith 2-3-0-29.

Receiving - Cincinnati, Thomas 4-55, R.Hall
4-8, D.Ross 3-49, Murray 3-27, Daniels 1-11,
D.Jones 1-10, Dawley 1-2. Ohio St., Holmes
4-91, Hamby 4-75, Childress 4-67, Ginn
2-(minus 1), Hall 1-12, L.Ross 1-(minus 2).

No. 10 West Virginia 56. East Carolina 23

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WVIrginia 3 6 0 14–22 7 7–56 WVII-Colson Int Quarter ECUI-FG Broadwell 20, 817 WVII-Harris 2 run (Cooper kick), 12:00 ECUI-FG Broadwell 20, 817 WVII-Harris 2 run (Cooper kick), 42:4 WVII-Holson 15 run (Cooper kick), 752 WVII-Holson 75 punt return (Cooper kick), 253 WVII-Holson 75 punt return (Cooper kick), 254 WVII-Harris 51 run (Cooper kick), 2:13 WVII-Harris 51 run

WVU—Henry 60 pass from Marshall (Coo-er kick), 13:04

Fourth Quarter
ECU—Rios 12 pass from Pinkney (Broad-well kick), 9:56
W/II — W-1 — -

veii kick), 9:56 WVU – Harris 76 run (Cooper kick), 9:35 ECU – Roach 5 pass from Pinkney (Bro vell kick), 1:35 A-59.172 ECU First downs

28-59 56-478 322 143 26-51-2 6-15-2 2 95

No. 12 Kansas State 27,

Western Kentucky 13

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Assembly 3 10 7—27 KSU—Meler 9 run (Rheem kick), 7:11.

KSU—Meler 9 run (Rheem kick), 7:11.

Second Quarter

WKU—Moore 13 run (kick falled), 10:43.

KSU—F8 Rheem Third Quarter

KSU—Sproles 32 run, (Rheem kick) 10:41.

KSU—F8 Rheem 19, 4:14.

WKU—Clayton 5 pass from Gadduc Siewart kick), 12.

KSU-Webb 8 run (Rheem kick), 6:34, A-46,740.

WKU KSU First downs Rushes-yards Passing Comp-Att-Int Return Yards Punts-Avg. Fumbles-Coard 13 27 25-77 60-306 182 196 10-21-0 14-21-0 4-52 1-0 6-40 20:55 1-38 3-1 6-35 39:05 Penalties-Yards Time of Possess

ime of Possession 20:55 39:0 INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS Rushing—W. Kentucky, Moore 15-63, Po er 7-19, Haddix 3-(minus 5). Kansas St., Spr es 42-221, Meier 9-60, Webb 7-29, Anderso -4, team 1-(minus 8). les 42-221, Meier 9-60, Webb 7-29, Andersor 1-4, team 1-(minus 8). Passing—W. Kentucky, Haddix 10-21-0-182 Kansas St., Meier 12-18-0-183, Webb 2-3-0-13 Ransas St., Meller 12-10-0-10-3, Webb 25-0 American Mechanism - W. Receiving - W. Kentucky, Perkins 5-125, Williams 2-17, Phillips 1-21, Trumbo 1-13, Clayton 1-5, Kansas St., Figurs 5-84, Dennis 4-38, Moreira 2-33, Casey 1-28, Polite 1-9, Saba 1-4. No. 13 Cal 56. Air Force 14

First Quarter
Cal—Arrington 11 run (Schneider kick). Cal-Arrington 11 run (Schneider Nick), 11:41. AF-McMenomy 10 pass from Carney Greenaway kick), 5:17: Cal-Arrington 4 run (Schneider kick), 1:31. Second Quarter Cal-Rodgers 1 run (Schneider kick), 1:06. AF-Shaffler 2 run (Greenaway kick), 6:56. Third Quarter Cal-Arrington 1 run (Schneider kick), 1:06.

10:19. Cal-Lyman 78 pass from Rodgers (Schneider kick), 1:17. Cal—T. Williams 11 run (Schneider kick), 12:43.

2:43. Cal—Lynch 43 run (Schneider kick), 9:03. Cal-Forsett 13 run (Schneider kick), 4:31. A—50,075. Cal First downs Rushes-yards Passing Comp-Att-Int 44-342 53-182 231 89 12-18-0 9-18-1

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No. 15 Clemson 37 Wake Forest 30 (20T) Wake Forest 3 14 3 7 3 0-30 Clemson 14 5 0 8 3 7-37

Clemson 14 5 0 8 3 7 –31 First Quarter WF–FG Wisnosky 39, 446. Cle–Currie 31 pass from Whitehurst (Funkick), 2:09. 2:09. -Miller 69 punt return (Furr kick), :00.

CIE—Miller 69 punt return (Furr kick), :00.

Second Quarter
CIE—Safet 2, 10:12.
WF—Anderson 85 pass from Mauk (Wis-cusky kick), 92.
WF—Bigs 22 nn (Wisnosky kick), 6:21.
Third Quarter
WF—Barry Fourth Quarter
WF—Barry Tour (Wisnosky kick), 12:20.
CIE—Kelly 1 run (Wisnosky kick), 12:20.
CIE—Kelly 1 run (Wisnosky kick), 12:20.
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WF-FG Wisnosky 38.
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Cle-Browning 11 pass from Whitehurst
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A-78,500.

WF 20 54-254 Cle 23 35-83 First downs 156 288 10-25-0 20-41-2

2u-41-2-288. Valu. Clemson, Whitehurst Receiving—Wake Forest, Anderson 7-139, Idlette 2-21, Barclay 1-(minus 4). Clemson, Currie 9-152, Stuckey 8-112, Browning 2-10. Grant 1-14.

No. 16 Virginia 44, Temple 14 Virginia 17 13 7 7— 44 Temple 0 0 7 7— 14

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Tiva – First Quarter

UVA – End Hyghes 33, 531,

UVA – Lundy 3 run (Hyghes kick), 559,

UVA – Lundy 2 run (Hyghes kick), 59,

UVA – Lundy 6 run (Hyghes kick), 50,

UVA – Lundy 6 run (Lick failled), 5:29,

UVA – Lundy 6 run (Lick failled), 5:29,

UVA – Hagans 1 run (Hyghes kick), 5:51,

UVA – Miller 4 pass from Hagans (Hyghes kick), 5:65,

::ck), 9:40. Tem—Washington 2 run (Lux kick), 6:55. A–20,154.

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Cabe 12-0-7. Temple, Washington 11-23-0-132, team 0-1-0-0. Washington Receiving—UVA. McGrew 4-56, Miller 3-45, Williams 3-38, Mines 2-29, Pearman 2-20, Byers 1-15, Santi 1-7, Snelling 1-7, Johnson 1-1. Temple, Goodman 5-75, Brown 4-36, Chuku 1-14, Ibeh 1-7.

No. 17 Auburn 31, La.-Monroe 0 La. Monroe Auburn 0 0 0 0-0 10 7 14 0-31 First Quarter Campbell

First Quarter
Aub—Williams 9 pass from Campbell
(Yaughn kick), 6:55.
Aub—FG Vaughn 43, 3:54.
Second Quarter
Aub—Con 14 mind Quarter
Aub—Aromashodu 32 pass from Campbell
(Vaughn kick), 2:74.
Aub—Brown 30 run (Vaughn kick), 2:77.

91 186 17-23-1 14-24-1 17-23-1 14-24-1 58 2 5-37.4 4-46.0 2-2 1-1 7-75 6-60 Rushes-yards Passing Comp-Att-Int Return Yards Punts-Avg. Fumbles-Lost Panalties Va-

rumules-Lost 9-49-bl.
Penalties-Yards 7-7-5 6-50
Time of Possession 30:11 29-80
Time of Possession 10:11 29-80
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Rushing-Williams 23-103, Brown 7-55, Taylor 1-19, Cox 1-14, Lester 5-4, Watson 1-2, Campbell 3-(minus 3).
Passing-La. Monroa blee 15-23-2-1-1 Passing—La. Monroe, Jyles 16-22-1-96, Blair 1-1-0-3, Auburn, Campbell 11-18-1-110, Cox 3-6-0-76.

Lox J-6-0-76. Monroe, Quillon-5-7, Mitch-seceving-La, Monroe, Quillon-5-7, Mitch-seceving-La, Denn I-22, Payne 1-4, Hammock 1-4, Davenport 1-3, Denham 1-4, Hudnall 1-1. Auburn, Taylor 3-55, Aro-mashodu 2-53, Obomanu 2-18, Mix 2-9, Brown 2-7, Stewart 1-24, Daniels 1-11, Will-lams 1-9.

No. 18 Missouri 52. Arkansas State 20 7 10 3 0-20 21 14 14 3-52

First Quarter
MU—Rucker 24 pass from Smith (Tantarel-

MU—Rucker 24 pass from Smith (Tantarel-likick), 1146. MU—Nash 21 run (Tantarelli kick), 8:11. MU—Pitts 49 interception return (Tantarel-li kick), 5:29. AS—O'Neal 6 pass from Noce (Neihouse kick), 58.

AS-FG 30 Nelhouse, 11:38. MU-Coffey 60 pass from Smith (Tantarelli lck), 9:20.

kick), 9:20. —, w pass from Smith (Tantare MU—Smith 34 run (Tantarelli kick), 5:10. AS—Wood 18 pass from Noce (Neihow kick), :39.

kick), :39. Third Quarter
AS—FG 21 Nelhouse, 6:27.
MU—Nash 15 run (Tantarelli kick), 4:24
MU-Sesay 35 pass from Smith (Tanta kick), 1:12.

Fourth Quarter MU—FG 17 Tantarelli, :19. A—57.012.

MU 26 34-263 243 16-24-3 First downs 21 36-88 350 26-37-2 First downs Rushes-yards Passing Comp-Att-Int Return Yards Punts-Avg. Fumbles-Lost 1-37.0 4-47.3

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Woods 1: 65: Smith 6: 67: Octombr 1: 5, Viel-mann 1: 3, team 1-rimius 2). Passing—Arkansas St. Noce 19-26-240, 15-10-10. Passing—Arkansas St. Noce 19-26-240, 15-10-10. Passing—Arkansas St. Noce 19-26-240, 16-22-33, Coleman 2-9-10. [see 7:16, Steven 1: 49-24, Franklin 1: 49-24, No. 19 Iowa 39, Kent State 7

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Iowa—FG Schlicher 20, 1127.

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Iowa—Melloy pass from Tate (Schlicher Mickel), 123.

Second Quarter

Iowa—Melloy Iowa—Melloy 10, 100.

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Third Quarter

Iowa—FG Schlicher 23, 723.

Third Quarter

Iowa—FG Schlicher 33, 7:55. Iowa—Mickens 4 run (Schlicher kick), 2:58. Fourth Quarter Iowa—Greenway 30 interception return (kick failed), 8:52. A=70,397.

KSU lowa 11 21 19-(-13) 57-197 First downs 19-(-13) 5/-19/ 123 223 19-36-2 18-30-1 100 124 7-46.5 4-50.8 2-2 3-0 Passing Comp-Att-Int Return Yards Punts-Avg. Fumbles-Lost

College football scoreboard

No. 21 Wisconsin 34, Central Florida 6

3 0 3 0 - 6
10 10 7 7-34
Wis-Davis 8 run (Allen kick), 9:27.
UCF-FG Prater 51, 6:09
Wis-FG Allen 40, 3:5.
Wis-Orr 1 Second Wis-FG Allen 40, 235.

Second Quarter
Wis-Orr 16 pass from Stocco (Allen kick),
135.
Wis-FG Allen 29, 300.

Third Quarter
Wis-Stocco 2 run (Allen kick), 8:48.
UCF-FG Parter 33, 107.
Wis-Daniels 52 pass from Stocco (Allen

35-53 49-230 177 170 177 170 13-24-1 9-20-0 0 83 8-41.1 3-39.3 1-1 4-1 5-39 3-15 28:11 31:49

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Central Florida, Haynes 21-56, Wilcox 6-8, Moffett 8-(minus-11). Wisconsin, auxis 13-78, Bonovan 4-64, Stanley 12-47, ressley 6-22, Bernstein 6-17, Randie El 3-14, tocco 3-(minus-12).

Passing—Central Florida, Moffett 13-24-177, Wisconsin, Stocco 8-18-6-164, Donovan 177. WISCOMSIN, STOCKO O 2010 17-2-0-6, Receiving—Central Florida, Huggins 5-85, Johnson 2-38, Capers 2-27, Marshall 2-18, Haynes 1-8, Francis 1-1. Wiscomsin, Orr 3-42, Daniels 1-52, Williams 1-30, Stanley 1-16, Charles 1-12, Davis 1-12, Randle El 1-6.

No. 22 Maryland 23

Northern Illinois 20 N. Illinois 2 0 7 11-20 Maryland First Quarter
NIU-Safety, Allen tackled in end zone, 10:28.

Second Quarter MD-Maldonado 9 run (Novak kick), 14:24. MD-FG Novak 43, 8:48.



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Third Quarter MD-Allen 1 run (Novak kick), 13:00. NIU-Wolfe 4 pass from Horvath (N ick), 9:03. MD—FG Novak 34, 3:31

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NIU—FG Nendick 21, 12:12.

MD—FG Novak 44, 10:33.

WIU—Hawkins 85 fumble return (Hurd pass rom Horvath), 5:34.

A=51,830.

NIU Md 20 21 38-118 46-198 219 169 19-37-2 12-22-1 82 58 6-33 3-48.7 First downs Rudhes-vards 38-118 4-159
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169. Receiving—N. Illinois, Hurd 4-51, Cleslak 4-41, Sheldon 3-53, Harris 3-14, Nordin 2-15, Pugh 1-28, Perez 1-13, Wolfe 1-4, Maryland, V.Davis 5-72, Parson 2-39, Melendez 2-28, Fen-ner 1-27, Abiamiri 1-2, Allen 1-1.

No. 25 Minnesota 63. Toledo 21

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Tol-Broussard 14 run (Robbins kick), 1:37. A-45,144.

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Passing—Toledo, Gradkowski 19-30-0-202 Council 5-8-0-110. Minnesota, Cupito 10-12-1-279. Ernst 1-1-0-10. Mortensor 0-0-0-0, Receiving—Toledo, Moore 10-99, Lepley 2-63. Odom 3-62, McDougle 3-45, Higgins 3-15, Holms 1-16, Washington 1-10, Dawson 1-2, Minnesota, Ellerson 4-140, Wheelwright 2-52, Posthumus 1-52, Hamilton 1-20, Wal-lace 2-19, Maroney 1-6.

Saturday's scores

Saturday's scores

American international State State

Backup QB **Berry leads BYU** over **Notre Dame** BY DOUG ALDEN

The Associated Press PROVO, Utah - Notre Dame will have that game of experience it wanted when the Fighting Irish play rival Michigan next week. The Irish also have a loss.

Brigham Young held off a late push by Notre Dame for a 20-17 victory Saturday night in the sea-son opener for both teams. Matt Berry passed for 167 yards, including a 42-yard touchdown pass and a clutch 37-yard completion in the final minutes to Todd Watkins, after relieving BYU

> The Cougars improved to 4-0 in season openers under coach Gary Crowton and got off to a winning start as they try to break a

two-year streak of losing seasons. "It's so fun to heat Notre Dame just because it's such a storied program," Crowton said. "What this does is gives us momentum going into the season and gives us a chance to get better."

The Fighting Irish were about to get a final chance with BYU facing a third-and-8 from its own 25 But Berry, who replaced injured starter John Beck in the second quarter, threw a long pass toward the Irish sideline that Watkins leaped to pull in and give BYU a first down with 1:34 remaining.

Watkins, a junior college trans-fer making his BYU debut, also caught a 50-yard pass from Beck to set up the Cougars' opening

touchdown.

Notre Dame's Brady Quinn completed 26 of 47 passes for 265 yards, including a screen pass that Rhema McKnight took 54 yards for a touchdown. Preston Jackson returned an interception 38 yards in the fourth quarter to get the Irish within a field goal. but they had to punt on their last possession and the Cougars didn't give up the ball again.

"Their defensive scheme kept us a little on our heels so we couldn't come off the ball," Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham said. "We couldn't be as effective as we wanted to be."

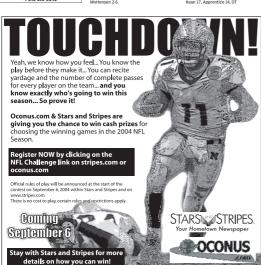
Berry, BYU's starter until

breaking a bone in his hand early last season, completed 15 of 23 passes and had an interception.

He was shaky early in relief of Beck, who left in the second quarter after being leveled on an option. X-rays on Beck were negative for breaks, but he didn't return.

"I was ready when my opportunity came. I made it too interesting at the end, but guys came through. That's why it is a team game," Berry said.

The Cougars prevailed on a night when the most effective ways to move the ball were do anything but run with it. Only 22 of BYU's 285 yards came on the ground. The Cougars' futility was topped by the Fighting Irish, who had 21 carries for 11 vards.



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No. 15 Clemson wins in 20T, avoids second upset by Wake

The Associated Pres

CLEMSON, S.C. — Charlie Whitehurst threw an 11-yard touchdown pass to Kyle Browning in the second overtime that lifted No. 15 Clemson to a 37-30 victory over Wake Forest on Saturday.

The Tigers (1-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) led 19-3 early in the second quarter and looked intent on beating the Demon Deacons as thoroughly as Clemson got beat in a 45-17 defeat at Wake Forest a season ago.

But the Deacons (0-1) rallied for 24 straight points and led 27-19 after Chris Barclay's 50-yard touchdown run with 12:20 to go in the game.

The Tigers rediscovered their offense when it counted.

Whitelunst, starting at his 22 with 6:35 left, completed passes of 16 and 19 yards to Chansi Stuckey, then hit Airese Currie rence call on fourth-and-goal kept the drive alive and Yusef Kelly leaped over the pile from a yard out with for Clemson's first points in nearly 40 minutes.

Kelvin Grant pulled down the tying conversion on a perfectly lofted ball into the left corner of the end zone to send it to over-

The teams traded field goals in the first extra session. Then Whitehurst found Browning on a screen pass to give Clemson the

lead.
Wake Forest could not respond.
Jason Anderson juggled a pass
out of bounds. Chris Barclay, who
ran for 179 yards, was stopped at
the line of scrimmage. Cory Randolph's final two throws went in-

complete. Whitehurst was 20-for-41 for 288 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions. Curric caught nine passes for 152 yards and Stuckey, a converted quarterback, had eight receptions for 112

In other Top 25 games Saturday:

No. 2 Oklahoma 40, Bowling Green 24: At Norman, Okla, Kejuan Jones rushed for a career-high 148 yards and a touchdown and Mark Clayton caught two of Jason White's three touchdown passes for the Sooners.

AP Top 25 roundup

White, the returning Heisman Trophy winner, completed 21 of 31 passes for 238 yards, but also threw an interception that was returned for a touchdown.

Adrian Peterson, the Sooners' top-rated high-school recruit, flashed brilliance with a 35-yard touchdown run and finished with 100 vards on 16 carries.

No. 3 Georgia 48, Ga. Southern 28: At Athens, Ga., Danny Ware rushed for 135 yards and three touchdown in his college debut for the Bulldogs.

Ware was the first freshman running back to start his first game at Georgia since 1943. He opened the scoring for Georgia with a 10-yard touchdown run. He added a 3-yard scoring run early in the third quarter, helping the Bulldogs pull away from a close game at halftime.

No. 7 Texas 65, North Texas 0: At Austin, Texas, Cedric Benson ran for 181 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Longhorns' punishing rushing attack.

Benson, who ranks third in career yards at Texas behind Heisman Trophy winners Ricky Williams and Earl Campbell, had 141 yards as Texas cruised to a 44-0 halftime lead.

No. 8 Michigan 43, Miami, Ohio 10: At Ann Arbor, Mich Freshman Chad Henne threw two touchdowns in a surprising start for Michigan, helping the Wolverines to an easy victory over the RedHawks that ended the nation's longest winning streak

stream, that Gutierrez was supposed to start, but he was relegated to holding on kicks because of a sore arm, creating an opportunity for Henne, Rick Leach is the only offending the control of the cont

Henne was 14-for-24 for 142 yards with one interception. Braylon Edwards caught six passes for 91 yards and two TDs, and David Underwood gained 61 yards with two touchdowns on 22 14 straight games.

No. 9 Ohio State 27, Cincin-

No. 9 Unio State 21, Cincinnati 6: At Columbus, Ohio, Lydell Ross rushed for 141 yards and a touchdown, and Ohio State's swarming defense stymied Cincinnati.

Justin Zwick threw two interceptions and had four fumbles in his first start for the Buckeyes. He completed 14 of 26 passes for 213 yards and a touchdown. Backup Troy Smith played far less but produced two scores in three drives, including a TD pass.

No. 10 West Virginia 56, East Carolina 23: At Morgantown, W.Va., Kay-Jay Harris rushed for a school-record 337 yards and four touchdowns for the Mountaineers.

Harris broke the school record of 291 yards set by Kerry Marbury in 1971 against Temple. It also was a Big East record, eclipsing the mark of 299 set by Miami's Edgerrin James in 1998 against UCLA.

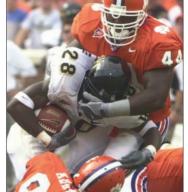
No. 12 Kansas St. 27, W. Kentucky 13: At Manhattan, Kan, Darren Sproles ran for 221 yards and a touchdown on 42 carries, leading the Wildcats past the Division I-AA Hilltoppers.

Sproles, the nation's leading rusher with 1986 yards last season, extended his school record with his 20th 100-yard game. He has gone over 200 yards in four of his last six games. After his 22-yard touchdown run for a 17-6 lead in the third quarter, he needs two more touchdowns to the EII Roberson for the Wildcats' career record of 40.

No. 17 Auburn 31, La.-Monroe 0: At Auburn, Ala., Jason Campbell passed for two touchdowns and Carnell Williams ran for 103 yards as the Tigers unveiled a new West Coast offense.

Auburn's new system sputtered at times but still fared better than in last year's opening shutout defeat to Southern California that set the stage for a disappointing season.

No. 18 Missouri 52, Arkansas St. 20: At Columbia, Mo., Brad Smith threw for 233 yards and three touchdowns and ran for 63 yards and a score for the Tigers.



Wake Forest's Chris Barclay (28) gets wrapped up by Clemson's Donnell Clark (44) and Gaines Adams (93) on Saturday at Memorial Stadium in Clemson, S.C. Clemson won 37-30 in double overtime.

Smith, a junior who ran for 1,406 yards and passed for 1,977 last season, averaged 10.5 yards on six carries and scored on a 34-yard second-quarter run. He completed 14 of 22 passes, with the three touchdowns and one interception.

No. 19 lowa 39, Kent St. 7: At Iowa City, Iowa, Drew Tate threw two touchdowns in his first start and the Hawkeyes turned in a dominating defensive performance.

The Hawkeyes held the Golden

Flashes to 110 total yards and minus-13 yards rushing.

No. 22 Maryland 23, Northern Illinois 20: At College Park, Md., Nick Novak became the leading scorer in Atlantic Coast Conference history, kicking three field goals and PATs to rescue the erratic Maryland offense. Novak kicked field goals of 43.

34, and 44 yards. His 11-point night gave him a career total of 335, breaking the record of 326 set by Scott Bentley of Florida State.

The victory enabled Maryland to improve to 20-1 at home under fourth-year coach Ralph Friedgen, who is 32-8 since taking over at his alma mater. The Terrapins also gained a measure or revenge against the Huskies, who upset Maryland last year in Illinois

No. 25 Minnesota 63, Toledo 21: At Minneapolis, Bryan Cupito was 10-for-12 for 279 yards and a touchdown in his first start, and Minnesota's running backs picked up where they left off last

Marion Barber III and Laurence Maroney, looking to become the first tandem in NCAA history to rush for 1,000 yards each in consecutive seasons, scored two TDs apiece before halftime to help Minnesota build a 42.7 lead in the opener for both teams.

Division I-AA Florida Atlantic stuns Hawaii in overtime

The Associated Press

HONOLULU — Doug Parker scored on a 7-yard run in overtime as Division I-AA Florida Atlantic rallied to upset Hawaii 35-28 Saturday night in the season opener for both teams.

After the Warriors failed to get into the end zone in overtime, the Owls poured onto the field at Aloha Stadium and celebrated as thousands of stunned Hawaii fans looked on.

FAU tied the game 28-28 on Jared Allen's 31-yard touchdown pass to Anthony Crissinger-Hill with 23 seconds left in regulation. The Owls had a chance to win in College football roundup

but their extra-point attempt was blocked, sending the game

regulation

Hawaii quarterback Timmy
Chang was 38-of-66 for 302 yards
and two TDs.
Chang moved closer to become

Chang moved closer to becoming the most prolific passer in college history. The senior now has 13,116 career passing yards — 1,916 shy of breaking the 13-year-old NCAA career passing mark of 15,031 set by BYU's Ty

con, Colorado 27, Colorado St. 24: their their A Boulder, Colo, Bobby Puris ran for 189 yards and a touchwas send-game-saving tackle as time example produced off the Rams in the opener for immuny both teams.

Nebraska 56, Western Illinois 17: At Lincoln, Neb., the Cornhuskers scored three touchdowns in five minutes in the second quarter and were never threatened by

their Division I-AA opponent.
Joe Dailey threw for four touchdowns and ran for two others, and
Cory Ross and Tierre Green each
rushed for more than 100 vards to

highlight Bill Callahan's first game as head coach. Dailey completed 15 of 30 passes for 218 yards.

N.C. State 42, Richmond 0: At Raleigh, N.C., Jay Davis threw two touchdown passes in his first chance as Philip Rivers' replacement, leading the Wolfpack past Division I-AA Richmond.

Alabama 48, Utah St. 17: At Tuscaloosa, Ala., Brodie Croyle threw two touchdown passes and Alabama took its first step toward rebounding from a losing season.

Troy 17, Marshall 15: At Huntingon, W.Va., DeWhitt Betterson

rushed for the go-ahead touchdown and the Trojans' defense held the Thundering Herd to 177 total vards.

Penn State 48, Akron 10: At State College, Pa., Zack Mills ran for a touchdown, caught a TD and threw two scoring passes to lead the Nittany Lions over the Zips.

North Carolina 49, William & Mary 38: At Chapel Hill, N.C., Romie McGill rushed for three fourth-quarter touchdowns and the Tar Heels rallied from a 10-point third-quarter deficit to beat the Division I-AA Tribe, giving coach John Bunting his first season-onening win in four tries.

Croom, Bulldogs winners in historic debut Biffle edges Mears for

First black head coach in SEC leads Mississippi State over Tulane

BY JOEDY MCCREARY The Associated Pres.

STARKVILLE, Miss. - Sylvester Croom needed just one game to make Mississippi State feel like a winner again

Croom won his head coaching debut, with Jerious Norwood rushing for 112 yards and a touchdown in the Bulldogs' 28-7 victory over Tulane on Saturday night.

"Even on the bus ride over, I thought to myself, "Twenty-eight years working toward this day, and now it's here,' " Croom said. "A dream that was an impossi-

ble dream at one time today was a The Bulldogs held their hel-

mets in hand, whooping and dancing around Croom, the first black head football coach in Southeastern Conference history, as the clock expired. Flashbulbs sparkled throughout Scott Field, and Croom jogged off to a standing ovation from the crowd.

Croom, a longtime NFL assistant, was passed over by his alma mater Alabama when its coaching job came open last year. The Tuscaloosa native played and coached under Bear Bryant and was crushed when the Crimson Tide choose Mike Shula over him

So. Croom took his years of experience and West Coast offense to Starkville, where the Bulldogs were looking for someone to rebuild a struggling program.

"Anything less than a conference championship or a national championship, I don't know if I could be much more proud of these guvs because of how much they've grown up since last De-cember," Croom said.

Mississippi State hired Croom just days after the 2003 season ended to replace Jackie Sherrill.

Omarr Conner threw for 135 yards and a touchdown in his first start at quarterback for the Bulldogs, who scored on their first two possessions of the second half to break a scoreless tie.

"Coach let us know that we are the hardest-working, hardest-conditioning team in the nation "Conner said. "[Croom] gave us a great talk at the half, and we came out motivated. Everybody just put it together.

Mississippi State, which has just eight victories in the last seasons, has a winning record for the first time since winning the 2001 opener against Memphis — when this year's seniors were freshmen.

Tulane closed to 14-7 early in the fourth quarter on Lester Ricard's 59-yard touchdown pass

But the Bulldogs countered on their next series, when Norwood's 43-vard off-tackle run set up Fred Reid's 5-yard TD run to make it 21-7

Tulane (0-1) didn't cross midfield the rest of the way.

Midshipmen beat Blue Devils in opener

Quarterback Polanco accounts for 259 yards, two touchdowns in 27-12 victory over Duke

ANNAPOLIS, Md. - Aaron Polanco threw a touchdown pass, ran for another score and finished with 259 yards of offense to help Navy beat Duke 27-12 on Saturday night in the season opener for both teams

Polanco ran for 130 vards on 23 carries and was 8-for-9 passing for 129 yards, including a 58-yard touchdown pass to Jason Tomlinson at the end of the first half.

Kyle Eckel fumbled twice in the first half for Navy, but scored on a pair of 3-yard runs in the second half. He finished with 100 yards on 23 carries.

'We moved the ball well in the first half, but we just turned it " Navy coach Paul Johnson said. "Once Aaron settled down. I thought he played well.

Polanco carried the ball for most of the yardage on Navy's final 59-vard drive, which ended with Eckel's second score with 3:06 to play

Navy, which led the nation in rushing last season, gained 301 yards on the ground and had 430 yards of offense.

"It is always good to get a win, especially with how we played in the first half," Polanco said. "We had some trouble holding on to the ball, but once we did, we settled down

Polanco's scoring pass to Tomlinson with 12 seconds left in the first half tied the game at 6.

Duke's Cedric Dargan rushed for a career-best 114 yards on 20 carries. He had 101 yards on 17 carries in the first half.

Duke used two quarterbacks.

Mike Schneider was 8-for-13 passing for 59 yards, and Chris Dapolito was 5-for-7 for 51 yards Led by Lane Jackson's 12 tack-

les, Navy held Duke to 265 yards.

Navy QB Aaron Polanco, left, is tackled by Duke linebacker Malcolm Ruff during the first half Saturday in Annapolis, Md. Polanco rushed for 130 yards.

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series title. Biffle had built a lead of nearly

four seconds over Mears late in the race when debris brought out ed sixth, surging back to second.

pole and led 45 laps, stayed near the top of the banking and zoomed past Biffle on lap 143. But Riffle who now has two straight Busch victories at the California track, got back out front on lap 144 as a stalled car brought out the final caution

on the final restart on lap 147. quickly moving to the front. The two leaders were side-by-side, bumping briefly just before the finish line as Mears barely held

But Biffle dived low on the banking to move past for the final time on lap 149 and steadily pulled away.

Schiano scores biggest victory as Rutgers coach By TOM CANAVAN

The Associated Press

PISCATAWAY, N.J. — Freshman Jeremy Ito kicked four field goals and Rvan Neill scored on a 31-yard interception return to lead improving Rutgers to a 19-14 victory over Michigan State on Saturday.

The victory was coach Greg Schiano's biggest since coming to Rutgers in December 2000, and it gave the Scarlet Knights renewed hope for their first winning season since 1992 Michigan State, which went to

the Alamo Bowl last year in John L. Smith's first season as coach. made Rutgers sweat out the final minutes, driving to the Scarlet Knights' 25 with less than two minutes to play

Damon Dowdell missed an

open Jerramy Scott in the end zone on third down and Eric Knott was tackled short of a first down on a screen pass on fourth down After running out the clock.

Rutgers players jumped for joy and hundreds of fan in the stadium-record crowd of 42,612 which included Rutgers alumnus and James Gandolfini, star of the HBO series "The Sopranos" —

joined the celebration. Ito converted from 24, 47, 23 and 42 yards in attempting a school-record seven field goals, with the first five tries coming on the Scarlet Knights' first five possessions

Despite outgaining Michigan State 273-159 and holding the ball more than twice as long as the Snartans in the first half. Rutgers trailed 7-6 at halftime

Kicked: National champion LSU looks shaky in opening victory

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A heavy storm moved over the stadium just before kickoff Officials sent the players back to the locker rooms because of lightning in the area. Kickoff was delayed almost an hour and the field was sloppy when play

LSU's offense was sloppy throughout. The Tigers showed no signs of the methodical of fense that helped them win a championship last season.

Randall, who replaced Matt Mauck at quarterback, got off to a rough start. His first pass was intercented and he completed only seven of 18 for 66 yards. He was replaced at the start of the second half by Russell, who was 9-for-26 for 145 yards and threw two touchdowns.

The Tigers generated only 93 yards (39 passing) and four first downs in the first half.

Oregon State got an early break, recovering a fumble on the opening kickoff to set up on the LSU 25. They followed that with three straight penalties that gave them first-and-35 on

Anderson completed five of

six passes, including a 6-yard touchdown toss to George Gillett, to put the Beavers up 6-0 after Serna's first missed PAT Anderson, who passed for 4,058 yards with 24 touchdowns

and 24 interceptions in 2003, was 26-for-47 for 231 yards and three touchdowns. He had one interception and was sacked four times.

"This really hurt," Anderson said. "I'm not going to lie. We went out there and fought. I love my team and appreciate every-thing we did. We tried hard out there and just came up a little

Busch win in California

BY MIKE HADDIS

The Associated Press

FONTANA, Calif. - Greg Biffle won a nearly race-long duel with Casey Mears, pulling away over the last two laps to capture the NASCAR Busch Series race Saturday at California Speedway.

The two Nextel Cup regulars dominated the 150-lap Target House 300, leading all but 33 laps between them. The pair swapped the lead twice in the last seven trips around the 2-mile oval before Biffle took the top spot for good two laps from the end and drove off to his fifth win of the season and the 16th of his career.

Biffle, who led a race-high 72 laps, complained to his crew throughout the race that his Roush Racing Ford was down on power, but managed to beat Mears with superior handling.

"I've never been at a disadvan-tage like that in my life," Biffle said "He was a lot stronger than me on the straights, but I could loosen him up in the corners and he had trouble putting the gas down in the corner. Once I could break that draft and get about six car lengths, I could get away from

Biffle wound up winning by 0.356 seconds - about four car-lengths — over Mears' Chip Ganassi Racing Dodge.

"I would have liked to have won my first Busch race, but that was the most fun race I've ever been involved in " said Mears, the nephew of four-time Indianapolis 500 winner Rick Mears and a native of nearby Bakersfield. "I was pretty loose, but it was a good race and Biffle raced me clean. I'll go home pretty happy with

Kevin Harvick finished third followed by Kasey Kahne, Jamie McMurray and series leader Martin Truex Jr. Kyle Busch wound up ninth and slipped to 95 points behind Truex in the race for the

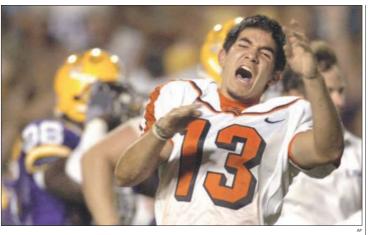
the third caution of the day on lap 135. Jason Leffler stayed on track and took the lead, but Biffle charged from third place on the restart on lap 139 to regain the top spot with Mears, who restart-Mears, who started from the

Mears got another shot at Biffle the lead on lap 148.

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Oregon State kicker Alexis Serna shouts in dismay after missing the PAT in overtime that allowed No. 4 LSU to escape with a 22-21 victory Saturday at Tiger Stadium in Baton Rouge, La. Serna made a 40-yard field goal but missed three extra points in the game.

Kicked in the gut

No. 4 LSU prevails when Oregon St. misses 3rd extra point

BY MARY FOSTER The Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. - LSU got lucky, and Nick Sahan knew it

"We've got a lot of work to do as a team." the Tigers' coach said. "I think everyone knows that."

Oregon State's Alexis Serna missed three extra points Saturday night, including one that would have forced a second overtime, and No. 4 LSU escaped with a 22-21 victory over the Beavers in the season opener.

"It was a crazy finish," LSU defensive end Marcus Spears said.

"We fought as long as we could fight, and fortunately he missed that extra point. I'd like to think that we had something to do with that. We got a lot of pressure up the middle and I guess he took his eye off it

The defending BCS champion Tigers trailed throughout the game, were shut out in the first half and behind 15-7 with 1:38 left.

The Tigers seemed sure to lose when they drove to the Oregon State 2 and failed to score with 3:39 left. But their defense gave them an other shot.

LSU got the ball back for their final possession of regulation with 1:38 left. After JaMarcus Russell threw two incompletions, he More college football inside:

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hooked up with Dwayne Bowe for a 26-yarder then a 38-yard touchdown to cut Oregon State's lead to 15-13 with 1:05 left.

"I told the QB to trust me," Bowe said. "I said I'm not even going to run the route you call. I'm just going to get open, I was able to do that and in two plays I scored

On the conversion, Russell ran to the left,

stretched out the football and leaped into the end zone for two points to tie it at 15 and force

Oregon State won the toss but deferred in overtime. LSU scored on its first possession. Marcus Randall, who started the game at quarterback, came in when Russell was inured and ran for a 5-yard touchdown, giving LSU it's first lead of the game, 22-15 with the extra point.

The Beavers weren't done

Derek Anderson found Joe Newton with a 19-yard scoring pass, pulling the Beavers to 22-21

Serna, a redshirt freshman who kicked a 40-yard field goal in the second quarter, sent the extra point wide right, giving LSU the vic-

"I told him there is not a lot you can say," Oregon State coach Mike Riley said. "It feels

Riley said he tried to call a timeout before the PAT attempt to consider whether to kick or try for a two-point conversion, but was un-able to get the officials attention.

"I just wanted to think about it," Riley said. "I didn't have my mind made up. But we had one timeout in the overtime period, so I was going to use it.



Edmonds hits 300th homer as Cardinals win season-high eighth straight game

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